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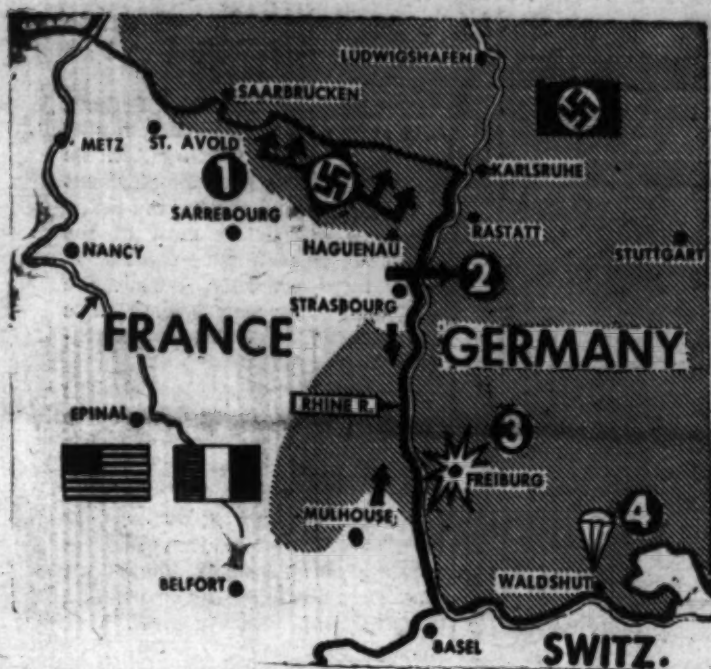
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# PIERLOT LINKED WITH BELGIAN QUISLINGS

Exclusive

## Tied to Bank Clique that Worked For Nazis; British Labor Angry

By MALCOLM McEWEN *Wireless to the Daily Worker*

LONDON, Nov. 29.—The dictatorial behavior of Premier Hubert Pierlot in Belgium, which is arousing British public opinion today, can only be explained by a scandal that has just become known here.

It seems that Pierlot's government had appointed a committee of Belgian bankers in 1940, whom it left behind to "serve as moral guides" under the Nazi occupation and maintain the general output of the nation.

This is revealed by the Nov. 15 issue of the Liberal newspaper in Brussels, *La Dernière Heure*, a copy of which has just reached here.

The Committee included M. de Munck, president of the *Société Générale de Belgique*—Belgium's all-powerful banking institution—and other directors of leading banks.

### COLLABORATED WITH NAZIS

During the war, these industrialists collaborated with the Germans, made their industries work effectively and even cooperated with the Gestapo in suppressing "agitation."

They rapidly developed the trustification of Belgian industry under German rule; for example, the minister of economic affairs in Pierlot's government, Del Ruelle, is himself a big industrialist who is accused of putting his factory at Prayon at the disposal of the Germans—with considerable profit for himself.

This explains Pierlot's statement of last Thursday that his government "refuses" to judge the behavior "of those industrialists who directed the national production" during the occupation.

It is his determination to defend the industrialists and financiers who collaborated with the enemy, and whose factories have almost entirely escaped the attention of the Royal Air Force, which lies behind the conflict with the Resistance movement.

### BRITAIN NERVOUS

Public opinion in London is opposed to the use of Allied armies to prop up dictatorial governments in liberated Europe. It is evident that the British authorities are a little nervous about the mess they've gotten into.

London factory workers in two great mass meetings today unanimously decided to lobby their MPs and have wired Prime Minister Churchill to avoid political intervention against the Belgian people. A shop stewards conference has been called in London.

Even the *London Times*, which last week attacked the Resistance movement, yesterday changed its tune, and, while



PAUL HENRI SPAAK  
(Social-Democratic minister  
bulwarking Pierlot regime)

continuing to insist on the surrender of arms by the underground, said that governments in Europe must have "a broad, comprehensive basis and popular consent."

The Labor Party's *Daily Herald*, which has pursued a shameful red-baiting against the Belgians, admits today that the Pierlot government is unpopular.

### EXPLAINS SITUATION

Only the *News Chronicle*, apart from the *London Daily Worker*, upholds the best journalistic traditions and has opened its pages to the leader of the Independence Front, the Socialist Fernand de Man. His reasoned article, explaining the Resistance position, has greatly aided the British public's understanding.

But to continue the full story behind the government, as disclosed by *La Dernière Heure*:

It seems that Pierlot's vice-premier, M. de Schrijver remained in France during 1942 to arrange for repatriation of Belgians ready to assist production for Germany.

Pierlot has taken over lock, stock and barrel the quisling regime which functioned under Hitler until September, 1944.

Such notorious "civil servants" as M. de Winter, secretary to the ministry of

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# AFL Parley Reaffirms Labor's No-Strike Pledge

By GEORGE MORRIS

NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 29.—The convention of the American Federation of Labor today unanimously reaffirmed labor's no-strike pledge and cabled General Eisenhower and MacArthur of its action. The resolution, one of more than two-score adopted today, reaffirmed "our determination to fulfill our pledges to the government and to the people of the United States and the members of our armed forces, that we will give every possible assistance in prosecuting the present war to a victorious conclusion."

The resolution insisted that the pledge must not be used as a "subterfuge" to ignore agreements with unions.

A report adopted attacked state anti-labor laws being passed under the sponsorship of the Christian American Association, of which Sen. "Pappy" O'Daniel is the spokesman. The report called for a Supreme Court test of such laws.

Another resolution calls for a "concerted" drive in favor of pending legislation to raise minimum standards under the Wage-Hour Act.

## ATTACK CIO

Attacks upon the CIO were the substance of several resolutions and speeches today.

The main fire of one resolution is against NLRB rulings which held that industrial unions are the proper bargaining basis in certain situations. The resolution calls for a drive to amend the Wagner Act to give protection to craft unions "in the language of the New York Labor Relations Act," and for direct court review of NLRB decisions.

A resolution on the Western Union situation charged the NLRB with favoring the CIO by splitting the coming election among telegraph employees into seven regional units. In this connection, board members Gerard Reilly, who has been sharply attacked by President Philip Murray of the CIO for his anti-labor attitude, was singled out for praise.

## RED-BAITING ATTACK

The resolution referred to the CIO's Communication Union as the "Communist-controlled American Communications Association." W. L. Allen, president of the Commercial Telegraphers' Union, delivered an hysterical red-baiting attack—the only such speech at this convention.

The issue in the elections, said Allen, is "whether the employees of the vital communications of this country shall be represented by an American organization, dedicated to preserve and safeguard American communication for America, or whether they shall be represented by an organization whose leaders are known for their subservience to a foreign totalitarian power."

No one rose to reply to this obvious attack on the Soviet Union. No one, of course, was interested in pointing out that the ACA has been cited by the government for an unmatched war record.

## VAGUE ON ANTI-SEMITISM

The resolutions committee, whose chairman is Matthew Woll, threw into the wastebasket a resolution of the New Jersey Federation of Labor which would punish anti-Semitism as a criminal act. Instead, a resolution expressing condemnation of racial and religious bigotry and discrimination against minorities was adopted. In contrast to the Boston convention, which devoted a whole day to anti-Semitism, this convention hardly gave attention to it.

One resolution adopted calls for an investigation of race discrimination in the Army. But the AFL yesterday rejected, after a half day's sharp debate, a proposal to do away with Jimcrow voteless and voiceless auxiliary local unions for Negroes.

The resolution committee's report adopted today also recommends that management and union representatives show greater interest in labor-management plant committee, and

that government aid them in war production and reconversion.

Other resolutions call for consolidation of all Government agencies handling labor matters under the Department of Labor; back the Supreme Court decision legalizing white primaries; demand AFL representatives at the "peace table," urge an office of "Under-Secretary of Labor" in the State Department and appointment of labor attaches in our embassies, and ask repeal of the Smith-Connally Act and repeal of the political contributions ban upon unions.

A resolution approved the executive council's decision not to send representatives to the London world conference of trade unions.

A resolution already passed approved Matthew Woll's enterprise for a fund of a million dollars to aid "free" trade unions abroad, meaning those unions that accept a red-baiting policy.

A report of the postwar planning committee adopted declares that the goal of 60 million jobs is possible with a national income of 173 billion dollars.

A report of the resolutions committee titled "world peace" is even vaguer than the executive council's report. The report says that "power to deal with aggression must respect the rights of nations which in turn must assure individuals those rights which guarantee personal freedom."

"The United Nations must not set up new agencies through which the powerful can dictate to other nations," went on the resolution.

Other parts express a fear that "it would be a serious mistake to delegate full responsibility for world peace to the diplomats and other statesmen."

The handiwork of David Dubinsky, member of the resolutions committee, is evident in the "peace" resolution.

## TOBIN SILENT

Daniel J. Tobin, president of the International Brotherhood did not speak in this convention, and thus far there wasn't even mention of the election or the significance of Roosevelt's reelection. But the December issue of the International Teamster distributed among the delegates today carries an analysis of the election by General Secretary-Treasurer John M. Gillespie of the IBT. It takes major credit for election of Roosevelt for the AFL committee led by Tobin, expressing the belief that the CIO followers "could not possibly support anyone but Roosevelt," while the AFL unionists in large numbers had to be won over.

The article refutes the charge that the CIO's PAC is communist controlled, but expresses a belief that PAC has "no hope for success," until the "labor movement is cemented in one organization," and the "proper kind" of men would be elected "to guide and advance that political organization, whatever it may be called."

The convention will elect officers tomorrow and conclude by Thursday night.

## CIO Resolutions

The Daily Worker will publish a special four-page supplement Friday devoted to the texts of the resolutions adopted at the recent CIO convention.

# GOP'ers Cheer Foe Of Security Tax

By ADAM LAPIN

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29.—Leading Republican members of the House Ways and Means Committee today hailed a York, Pa., manufacturer who has repeatedly refused to obey the laws passed by Congress as "a symbol of American small business."

For almost an hour Fred Perkins, who owns a battery factory, ranted against the Social Security Act. He also wanted to repeal unemployment compensation and the income tax.

Perkins has defied most of the important legislation of the last 12 years including NRA during the early days of the New Deal. He has been arrested and jailed for law violations.

At present he is under a six months suspended sentence for refusing to pay social security taxes to cover his employees. He appeared at the Ways and Means Committee with permission of his parole officer.

Despite GOP prelection promises to extend social security, Republican congressmen extolled the excited and frequently incoherent witness.

## GOP HERO

Rep. Harold Knutson of Minnesota, ranking GOP member, said that Perkins is "one of the pioneers to stand up against socialization."

"You're just a symbol of small business fighting for its right," said Rep. Frank Carlson, Kansas Republican.

Perkins shouted at the committee: "Let Americans want to get rich again. Let them compete for that honor. It's the rich who will be the saviors of this country, if it will be saved."

Expounding his plan for repealing income, social security, and other taxes, Perkins said that in the case with a \$1,000,000 income "my whole idea is to let him invest it instead of taxing it."

Reps. Robert Doughton of North Carolina, chairman of the committee, and Jere Cooper of Tennessee, ranking Democrat, tried to keep Perkins to the point: whether social security taxes should be frozen at one percent.

"I want a chance to tell my story," Perkins protested. "If I can't tell it here, it's a dirty shame. You're holding a watch on me. Other witnesses have had an hour."

Reps. Knutson and Daniel A. Reed, New York Republican, interceded for Perkins and assured him he would have all the time he needed.

Reed apologized for Doughton who kept trying to keep Perkins to the social security tax freeze issue.

"The chairman is all right," he said. "He's under a heavy strain. He's carrying a big load."

Knutson and other Republicans heckled the next witness, Martin Miller of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen. Miller urged that the automatic increase in social security should be permitted to go into effect on the ground that adequate reserves are needed. He said that the CIO and AFL shared this view.



Some of the boys meet one of the boys when GIs gather around Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, supreme commander of the Allied forces, at a salvage repair depot near the German front.

# Rochester Hearings Reveal Job Bias

By HARRY RAYMOND

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Nov. 29.—Anthony A. Capone, of the AFL Central Trades and Labor Council declared at a hearing of the State Commission Against Discrimination today that anti-race bias bills under consideration should provide for quick enforcement of penalties against those guilty of Jimcrow employment practices.

He urged the commission in its third day of public sessions, to eliminate from the proposed legislation any legal loopholes that would permit lawyers to drag cases along for years without conclusive settlement as has so often been the case in labor board disputes.

As was pointed out by CIO representatives in Syracuse yesterday, Capone agreed that the bill to set up a five-man anti-discrimination commission with power to level fines and other sanctions against employers and unions that discriminate because of race, creed or color, was sound, laudable and progressive but also like his CIO brothers, he proposed strengthening of the measure.

## STATE AUTHORITY

The second bill, giving the State attorney greater authority to act against race bias cases, was unopposed by more than a dozen witnesses appearing at the hearing in the city council chamber.

One lone voice of opposition to the setting up of a fair employment practices commission came from A. E. Crockett, aged and grey manager of the Industrial Management Council of Rochester.

Crockett argued enforcement of an industrial anti-discrimination law would be objectionable to manufacturers he represented because they would "be subjected constantly to investigations, questionnaires and threats of prosecution."

## OUT OF STEP

Crockett's position was branded as being out-of-step, with the progress of democratic world thought by practically every witness who fol-

lowed him. Assembly majority leader Irving Ives, chairman of the 23-man commission; Harold Garbo, State CIO secretary, and Frank L. Well, also commission members, joined with the witnesses in rejecting Crockett's proposals. Ives said the commission had studied the possibility of limiting anti-bias investigating and enforcement power to existing State bureaus, but found it impractical. It would cost no more for a commission to do the work than for the Department of Labor to do it, he explained.

## NEGROES BARRED

Capone told of how Negroes were barred from living in some sections of Rochester. Theodore Price, a Negro member of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, told how he had studied machine shop practice and got his school's okay while he was mopping floors at Delco Light Co. But when he sought advancement to a better job for which he was qualified he was fired.

Eugene Wozniowski, a school teacher for seventeen and a half years, revealed how he and four other teachers with Polish names were "treated indecently" and "insulted" and denied high school posts, being relegated to elementary school jobs below their qualifications. He charged Catholics and those whose names had Polish endings were "discriminated against in Rochester schools." He also cited cases being refused employment by Eastman Kodak "because they had Italian names."

The commission has a full day session of hearings scheduled for Buffalo tomorrow before proceeding to New York City where it will hold public hearings for three days in the Bar Association rooms commencing Monday.

# ILD Offers Reward To Punish Lynchers

A reward of \$500 for information which leads to the arrest, conviction and punishment of the members of the mob who lynched James T. Scates, 17-year-old Negro boy at Pikeville, Tenn., on Thanksgiving Day, was posted by the International Labor Defense yesterday.

Announcement of the reward was made by Congressman Vito Marcantonio, president, and Robert W. Dunn, treasurer, of the ILD. The reward will be given from the Anna Damon Fund, set up to commemorate and continue the work of Miss Damon, who was secretary of the organization for 11 years until her death last May.

Gov. Prentice Cooper of Tennessee, was informed of the offer of reward by telegraph, and asked to add this sum to the \$500 reward which he has already offered.



# 6 Cologne Front Towns Fall; Soviets Take Pecs in Hungary

LONDON, Nov. 29 (UP).—Opening a new offensive in western Hungary, the Red Army crossed the Danube River 100 miles south of Budapest in a 25-mile advance, capturing the fortress city of Pecs and establishing a 93-mile front, Marshal Joseph Stalin announced tonight.

Outflanking the besieged Hungarian capital on the southwest, the large Soviet force captured more than 330 other Hungarian towns and villages, including the west bank Danube strongholds of Bataszek and Mohacs, 87 and 100 miles south of Budapest, Stalin said.

The Soviet communique reported that among the towns seized were Knezevivingradi, 20 miles west northwest of the Yugoslav town of Apatin; Zmajevac, 11 miles north northwest of Apatin; Batina, 12 miles north northwest of Apatin, and Bata, nine miles southwest of Baja.

On other fronts, Moscow said, there were patrol clashes.

The Soviet High Command, Stalin revealed, has thrown the 3rd Ukrainian Army of Marshal Feodor Tolbukhin—conquerors of eastern Romania, Bulgaria and eastern Yugoslavia—into the new campaign, which Berlin reported began two weeks ago.

Austria is just 104 miles northeast of Pecs, eighth city of Hungary.

The rapid Soviet advance from the west bank Danube bridgeheads was the first major victory on the eastern front for several weeks of a comparative lull in which the only large-scale operations have been confined to the approaches to Budapest and in Czechoslovakia.

The Red Army drive into Pecs brought the Soviet troops within 114 miles east northeast of the Croatian capital of Zagreb and 190 miles from the Italian port of Fiume.

## 2,000 Heavy Bombers Hit Misburg, Hamm

LONDON, Nov. 29 (UP).—More than 2,000 U. S. heavy bombers and fighters blasted Germany's main oil plants at Misburg today for the second time since Sunday, striking also at Hamm and other targets in northwestern Germany to supplement powerful RAF night assaults on Rhineland rail centers feeding the western front.

## Appeal to Help Democracy In Italy Made to Roosevelt

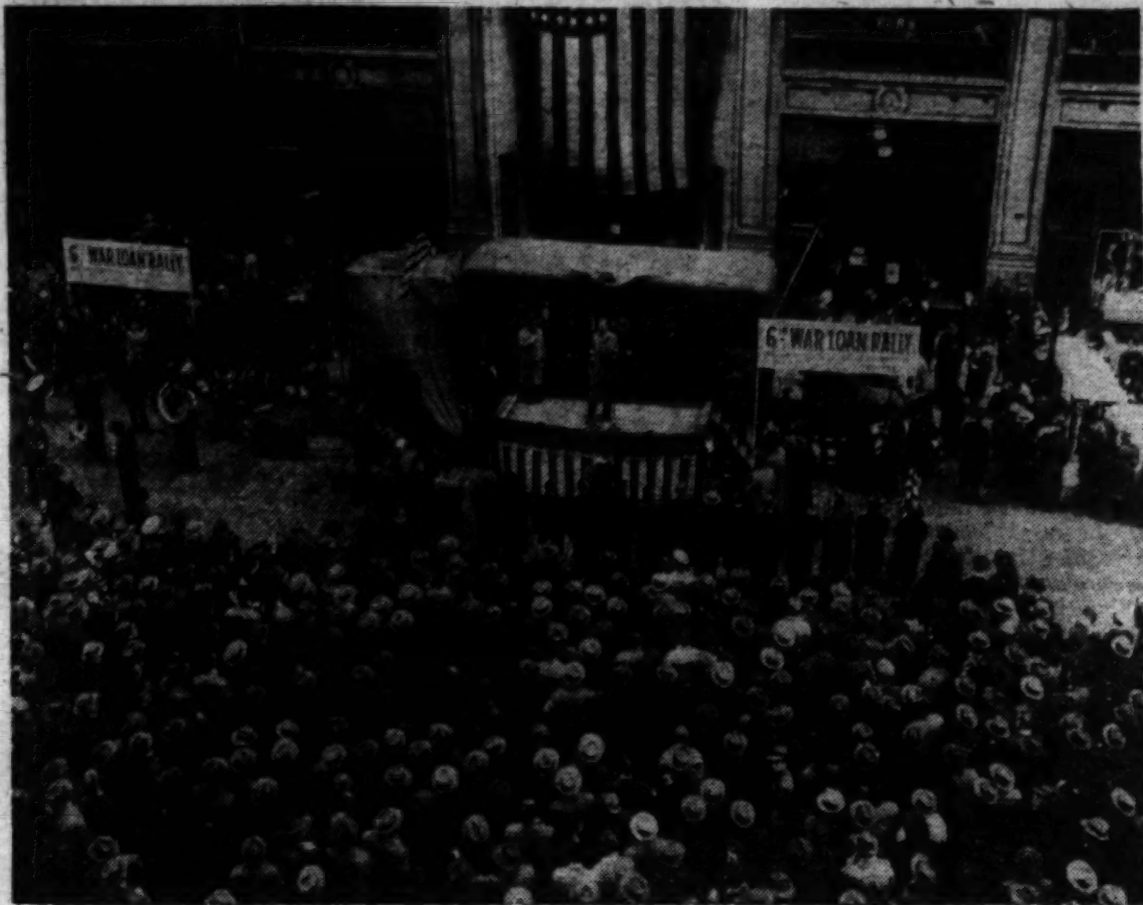
Expressing indignation over the latest obstacles to the formation of a new Italian government, the progressive weekly, L'Unita del Popolo wired President Roosevelt yesterday urging the "removal of all outside interference not consistent with the needs of the war."

"We ask for full support of the forces of democracy embodied in the Committee of National Liberation," the telegram said.

Meanwhile the crisis in Italy continued unresolved after the British government, through its ambassador, Sir Noel Charles, vetoed the participation of Count Carlo Sforza in any leading post of a new government.

Evidently, Great Britain opposes such a development, hoping to bring about a government outside of the six-party framework, and strongly weighted with reactionaries and monarchists.

The real reason for the objection to Sforza, whose "political unreliability" to the British is seen as a distinctly new development, lies in



### One for the Boys Overseas:

Five thousand CIO furriers attend noon-hour labor-management bond rally at 29 St. and Seventh Ave., despite the fact that management, at this moment, is defying a War Labor Board order and trying to introduce strife in the industry. Irving Potash, Furriers Joint Council manager, who shared the platform with Walter Schwartz one of the employers leading the fight against labor, drew cheers from the crowd when he said that nothing bosses could do could prevent the union from doing everything possible to win the war and continue joint activities in its support. Over \$16,000 in bonds were sold from the main float, hundreds of others from subsidiary booths.

—Daily Worker Photo

## Superforts Hit Tokyo for 3rd Time

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29 (UP).—American Superfortresses have raided Tokyo for the third time in less than a week, it was announced today, and Japanese broadcasts said

that the planes, appearing over the city shortly before midnight (11 a.m. EWT) had started fires at two places with incendiary bombs.

Assuming the enemy reports to be true, Tokyo had rocked under the first night aerial attack in its history, and the 20th Superfortress Air Force had struck three times at the city in 54 days.

Tokyo described the attacking formation as minor, and said that the planes interspersed incendiary bombs with flare bombs to light their targets.

"B-29 aircraft of the 20th Air Force today attacked targets in the Tokyo area it was announced at the War Department today by Gen. H. H. Arnold, in his capacity as commanding general of the 20th Air Force. The attack was made by Brig. Gen. H. S. Hansell's 21st Bomber Command based on Saipan. A communique will be issued when further details are available."

A few hours before the reported attack, Chungking radio listeners heard a Japanese Domei Agency political commentator, in a statement almost hysterically phrased, call B-29 crews "albino apes" and threaten:

"Wee be the fate of the American savage who after blindly bombing Tokyo attempts to parachute to safety, because he will be killed on the spot by the angry Japanese people."

PARIS, Nov. 29 (UP).—American armies, battering ahead with tanks and tank-destroyers amid signs of cracking German resistance, captured six towns on the thundering Cologne front today including Hurtgen and Langerwehe while the U. S. Seventh Army plunged 12 miles south from Strasbourg and to the north wheeled to within 13 miles of the Bavarian border.

Between these fronts, Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's Third Army stormed up a hill overlooking the Saar River inside Germany and began raining shells on the Siegfried Line fortress of Merzig, from only two miles away.

Patton was tightening a stranglehold around the Saar basin industrial cities of Saarlautern and Saarbrücken while Lt. Gen. Alexander M. Patch's new Seventh Army drive above Strasbourg had carried within 50 miles of the great German manufacturing center of Ludwigshafen.

On every sector of the 450-mile front except eastern Holland the Allies were biting into the main defense works and the industrial heart of the Reich. Their progress ranged from yards at a time west of Cologne to sweeping advances in the Vosges where the shattered enemy south flank was being mopped up.

The U. S. Ninth Army, on the left flank of the First in the drive for Cologne, had stormed up to the Germans' intermediate defense line on the Roer River on a 5 1/2 mile front just south of the stronghold of Julich, which now was at the mercy of American big guns.

Lt. Gen. William S. Simpson's Ninth Army doughboys finally ended all resistance in Kislar, two miles west of Julich after a three-day battle from garret to garret and from cellar to cellar of the village's stone houses.

## Churchill Sees Long Japan War

LONDON, Nov. 29 (UP).—Prime Minister Winston Churchill warned today that the European war might last through next summer and the Japanese war indefinitely, and King George promised that additional British forces would be thrown into the Pacific war on a scale as powerful and rapid as possible.

The King's speech opened a new session of the nine-year-old Parliament. Churchill spoke in a Commons debate which followed the King's speech.

Churchill praised the "brilliant fight and maneuvering of the French Army" as "a military episode of high importance" which proved that the French Army would rise to be again a great factor in Europe.

France again will rise, he said, "to be numbered amongst the greatest powers of the world."

Churchill said Antwerp was now receiving large convoys of ocean-going supply ships.

He said British and Canadian troops in the fighting between the breakthrough in France and the opening of the new Allied offensive had suffered about 40,000 casualties.

## Germans Executed

LONDON, Nov. 29 (UP).—An exchange Telegraph dispatch from Zurich today reported that German police records reveal there were 463 executions in Germany in October, of which 298 were Germans and the rest mostly foreign workers.

Executions of 213 Germans were for "political reasons" and the rest for blackmarket offenses and air-raid robberies, the dispatch said.



# Query Mayor on Plan To Rebuild Tenements

By LOUISE MITCHELL

Mayor LaGuardia's plan to grant a ten-year tax exemption to owners of old-law tenements to improve their buildings for low-income families displaced by postwar projects has stirred a hornet's nest among advocates of slum clearance.

Taking the lead in determining the exact details of the plan, the Citizens Housing Council yesterday queried the Mayor for additional information which deemed necessary "before an intelligent decision can be reached as to the wisdom" of the proposal.

Aware of postwar difficulties which will develop when housing sites are torn down to make way for new projects and thousands of families are dislodged, the Council nevertheless declares that it will oppose the plan unless more adequate safeguards are provided than have as yet been officially proposed. The plan as it now stands, would, according to the Council:

**Tend to perpetuate obsolete and substandard dwellings.**

**Tend to bar the reconstruction of such areas into modern neighborhoods by perpetuating these dwellings.**

## ENABLING ACT

The Mayor revealed during his Sunday broadcast, that the state Legislature would soon consider an enabling act under which the city will have power to grant a 10-year tax exemption on the value of improvements required to rehabilitate 12,000 old-law structures.

For this privilege, landlords in turn must provide heat, hot water and separate bathrooms for each apartment. The value of the improvements must not exceed present value of land and building and improvements must be started on or after Jan. 1, 1945 and completed "within a year or so."

In its list of questions to the Mayor, the Council considered whether there would be any limitation on rents to be charged, "and

would such rents be within the means of the low-income group." What guarantee is there that owners "will find it profitable to rent these rehabilitated apartments at little more than \$6 or \$7 a room as proposed." Tenants currently living in old-law houses pay this average.

## STUYVESANT TOWN

It is pointed out by low-rent housing advocates that the 11,000 persons dislodged from the lower Manhattan east side area where the Stuyvesant project will be built will be unable to afford Stuyvesant Town rents and yet may not be able to move into these renovated old-law buildings, if rents are boosted.

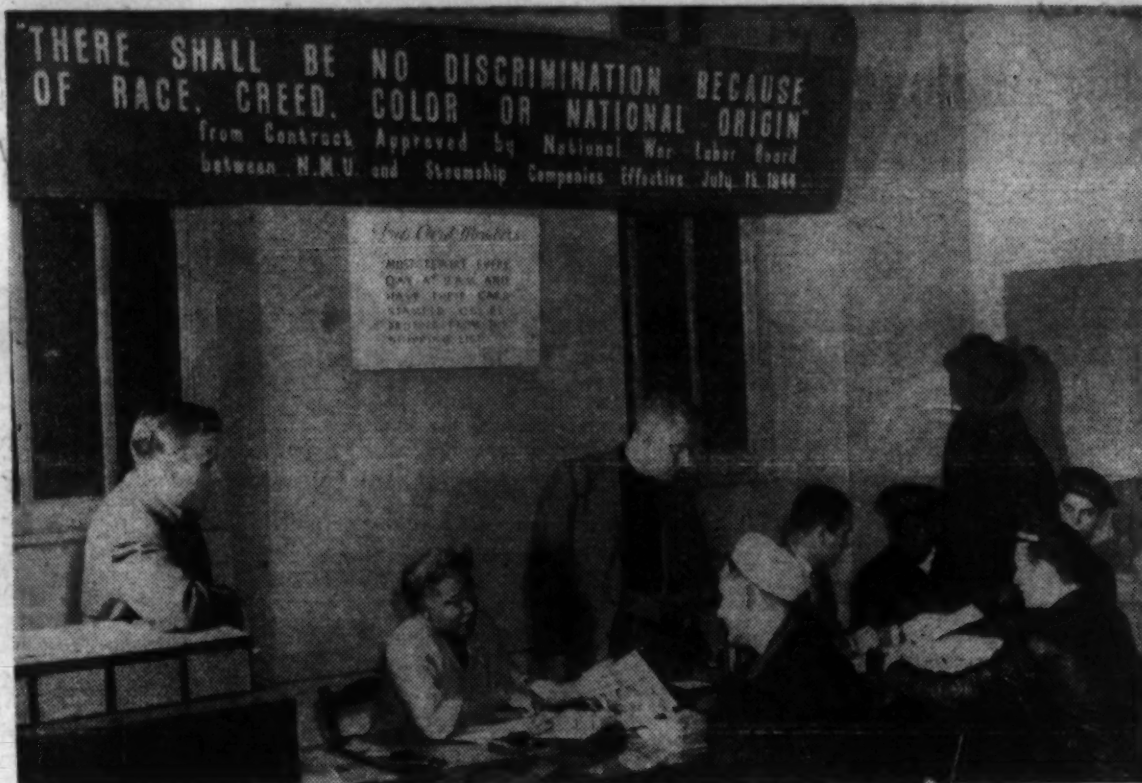
The most objectionable feature of these tenements, the Council says is their lack of light and air. "Can this be corrected with the rental limitations you propose," the Mayor was asked.

Another important question: Would there be any limit set on the life of these buildings. It is feared that these buildings with the so-called new lease on life will stand another half century to blot the city.

Among alternate plans for housing families while projects are being built is one offered by Councilman Stanley M. Isaacs, providing for transference of temporary war housing.

"Such demountable structures might tide us over the most critical period until permanent construction can catch up with the demand," he writes in the current bulletin of Housing News, organ of the Council.

Proper postwar housing for New York City is a man-sized job and the most constructive plan aiding all involved remains to be worked out.



Education starts in this new members' room when young seamen join the NMU. The "no discrimination" clause in the union's contract stands out overhead. Left to right in rear are John Leslie, the first NMU representative new members meet; Mamie Smith, the efficient, secretarial aide; Bill McCarthy (standing), in charge of new members' education; B. E. Verner (sitting), another union representative, who is talking to uniformed Negro seaman. Three young white seamen are sitting to the right.

—Daily Worker Photo

## ALP for B'klyn Downtown Area Rebuilding Plan

Kings County American Labor Party leaders yesterday threw their support behind the McGoldrick Plan to rebuild and modernize the downtown area of Brooklyn.

In a letter to Newbold Morris, president of the City Council, Max Torchin, county executive secretary, said it is a "step in the right direction" toward beautifying the city and keeping "property values stable and tax-paying."

He criticized the plan, however, for failing to take into account the housing needs of the people now living on the site of the area considered for reconstruction.

The plan, proposed by City Comptroller Joseph D. McGoldrick, provides that the city obtain a large area comprising the borough hall section of Brooklyn through condemnation proceedings, build new public buildings in the area and highways around it, and sell large chunks to private companies for construction of modern homes. The underlying idea is that whole communities should be rebuilt through city planning instead of isolated housing projects thrown helter-skelter.

Over Mayor LaGuardia's opposition, the Board of Estimate has thus far voted some \$4,000,000 to initiate the project.

## UAW Local Ends Cross Co. Strike

DETROIT, Nov. 29 (UP).—Members of United Automobile Workers Union, Local 155, voted today to end a strike at the Cross Co.

The strike was called when the company, one of two in the nation which produces precision lathes for heavy artillery ammunition manufacture, discharged two workers who refused to recognize the UAW bargaining agent.

Back-to-work movements were in progress in strikes at Ford Motor Co., Revere Copper & Brass Co. and Graham-Paige Motor Co. plants here. A strike continued at the Michigan Die Casting Co. A Ford spokesman reported that more than half its striking employees were back on the job.

## Elliott Roosevelt To Wed This Week

HOLLYWOOD, Nov. 29 (UP).—Col. Elliott Roosevelt and actress Wayne Emerson will be married "some time this week," they disclosed today.

## NMU Gives Lada Happy Start on Sea Career

By ART SHIELDS

A young seaman's education as a citizen, trade unionist and war-worker, begins the moment he joins the National Maritime Union. A walk through the palatial lobby

at NMU headquarters at 346 West 17 St., with its Hugo Gellert murals, brings the youthful sailor into the new members room—a big, friendly place.

Here the young lad from the factory, office or farm doesn't run into the old fashioned hole in a partition, where a hand reaches out to take his initiation fee and his dues.

That stuff is out. The NMU does not ease education into newcomers that way.

Instead the young man sits down with a pleasant young seaman named John Leslie, who sees that his papers are in order. Then Bill McCarthy, who is in charge of new members' education, takes a hand.

## EASING IT IN

Bill is such a genial and quiet young Irish-American that you'd never guess that he was one of the hardest fighters among the American volunteers in Spain several years ago.

Negro and white lads still wearing the uniforms of the training school of the Maritime Commission, were clustering around Bill when I visited the room one day this week.

Questions come fast: wages, overtime, getting a job, death payments, etc. What, in short, would they get out of the union?

Bill has all the answers, and he has something more. He gives them a capsule history of the union with a glimpse of the sweat shop conditions in slummy foibles which the NMU ended a few years ago under the leadership of President Joseph Curran and other old timers.

He tells them of the benefits won in the new agreement with the shipowners. He points to the clause

in the contract, forbidding discrimination for race or religion, which is emblazoned on the wall (See the photo on this page).

## FDR HELPS

He discusses the no-strike record of the union in wartime and he quotes the glowing praise that President Roosevelt gave this organization which has sacrificed thousands of lives while keeping 'm sailing.

Then he gives each a bundle of literature to pack in their sea bags at once.

"They'll read it when they get hungry for reading at sea," explains Bill. "A pamphlet like Huberman's 'The NMU—What It Is, What It Does,' is read from cover to cover."

Then a quick tour of the big building follows at once.

The mysteries of the hiring hall a few feet away are cleared up in five minutes as the men register for jobs and Bill explains the rotary system which gives every man his turn for a ship.

## PROUD NEW MEMBER

"The auxiliary clicks with almost every new member," says Bill. "It makes him think of his wife or mother at home."

The government up-grading school on the third and second floor, which the union rents to Uncle Sam for a dollar a year, makes a hit. The big recreation room too.

"What a union?" I heard one New York State farmer's boy say with pride in his voice.

This lad will learn much more in the next months at sea. But he's well on his way.

## Gil Green Urges Alabama Act Against White Rapists

Gilbert Green, president of the New York State Communist Political Association, in a wire to Gov. Chauncey Sparks of Alabama, yesterday demanded that immediate action be taken against the six white rapists of Mrs. Recy Taylor, young Negro mother and wife of an Alabama soldier.

"This crime is a shocking travesty of justice, a flagrant denial of elementary protection of law to a citizen because of color," Green said. "Decent citizens regard it as a reversion to Scottsboro justice at a time when our country is jointly engaged in a world-wide

war to destroy Hitlerism. We insist upon immediate prosecution of the criminals."

At the same time Green wired Gov. Prentice Cooper of Tennessee protesting the miscarriage of justice in the lynching of a 17-year-old Negro boy in Pikeville and demanding that the governor apprehend the criminals.

"In the midst of a war in which the Negro people are making their maximum contribution, this act of Hitler-like terror, which would be a blot on American justice at all times, is especially reprehensible," Green pointed out.

## News Capsules

### A Strange Caesarian

One of the rarest cases in medical history was revealed yesterday when a physician in Palmdale, Cal., reported the caesarean delivery of a stillborn baby carried by the mother for 18 years.

The woman was Mrs. Martin Buck, 56, whose home is in Bonnerdale, Ark.

The caesarean section was performed recently by Dr. H. H. Snook, who said the infant was in a mummified state and showed an eight months' development.

Mrs. Buck was recovering "satisfactorily," Dr. Snook said.

"I had already had four children when this one was on the way 18 years ago," Mrs. Buck said. "When the time came for the arrival of the baby, I had a month of excruciating pain. Yet when no baby appeared, I decided I must have been suffering from a tumor."

Her condition was discovered when Dr. Snook took X-rays after she had gone to him for treatment of a cold.

Police in Philadelphia are investigating the source of wood alcohol that caused the death of three persons and the illness of five others after a drinking party in a restaurant Sunday night.

The dead were Robert Smith, 37, restaurant proprietor; Marine Pfc. Leslie Manty, 23, attached to the Philadelphia Navy Yard, and Charles Zeppelin, 44, Philadelphia.

The New York Fire Department has lifted the ban on Christmas trees and decorations in stores, hotels, hospitals and other public places, so that servicemen and other visitors to the city might enjoy a holiday atmosphere.

The National Safety Council predicted yesterday that the traffic death toll for 1944 would be less than the 1943 total of 23,400, "if the nation's improved traffic behavior continues throughout the rest of the year."

In a report on traffic accidents in 42 states, the council disclosed that 470 fewer persons were killed last month than in October, 1943, when 2,590 lost their lives.

Deaths from all causes reported in New York City in the week ending last Friday numbered 1,380, a decrease of 45 from the preceding week, according to the vital statistics report by Health Commissioner Ernest L. Stebbins. Causes which showed the largest declines were: heart disease, down 35, and cancer, down 36. Tuberculosis deaths rose from 60 in the previous week to 70 last week. Twenty-four fatalities were charged to automobile accidents, the highest weekly figure recorded this year.

Sixty-one infant deaths were recorded, giving the rate of 26.5 per thousand live births. In the preceding week the rate was 23.5.

## Dr. Powell to Hold RWR Services

Dr. A. Clayton Powell, Jr., will conduct a Russian War Relief service in the Abyssinian Baptist Church Sunday evening in the drive for winter clothing as Christmas gifts to children in devastated Soviet areas.

Rev. Powell will be assisted by the Rev. Dr. Stanley I. Stuber, of the Northern Baptist Conference. Mrs. Robert Magidoff, wife of the NBC correspondent in Moscow, will be a guest speaker.



## An Editorial

## Fur Employers Ape Sewell Avery

EMPLOYERS in New York City's fur industry are putting on a shocking exhibition which should command immediate and indignant response from the public, from city officials and from all men and women in official posts.

Aping Sewell Avery of Montgomery Ward & Co. fame, the board of directors of the Associated Fur Coat & Trimming Manufacturers, Inc., employers' body, is defying the government and the National War Labor Board which is its agency.

The board, after months of hearings in which employers were represented, granted the International Fur and Leather Workers Union a ban on firing without just cause and a week's vacation. That is a government order, issued in wartime. It falls far short of full union demands, but the union accepts it. But 25 directors and two lawyers, acting for employers, declare it "unconstitutional." They arrogantly describe it as "neither acceptable nor compliant." Though they copy Avery, they don't learn from his experience. He argued "no jurisdiction" all the way to the U.S. Supreme Court and lost. But a handful of employers want to show Avery they can defy the government "better."

Perhaps the most shocking aspect is that this takes place in an industry with a national record for successful labor-management cooperation in support of the war. A flourishing fur vest project, splendid bond sales and extensive war activities brought credit to the industry and to the city. Now a little willful group tries to junk that and substitute what? A fight against labor and the government in the midst of war.

Association directors should shift their eyes from Avery's Chicago and look further west for inspiration. In California Chambers of Commerce, Industrial magnates, Gov. Warren, mayors of cities, Republicans and Democrats joined with labor in fighting a proposal banning a closed shop. Good labor relations established during the war are too valuable to jeopardize, business men said in effect.

This is a lesson New York's fur industry has yet to learn. The fur union will help. Confident of its rights, it remains calm in the face of provocation. Yesterday the union, despite employers' defiance, went ahead with a labor-management bond rally.

Labor unions, civic organizations, city officials and others in public life should call upon the Associated Fur Coat & Trimming Manufacturers, Inc., to stop its directors' nonsense, comply with the WLB order and get back to the business of cooperating with labor to win the war.

## Fur Union Erases Color Line in Group Insurance

Under union pressure, the Prudential Insurance Co. has set aside its 27-year-old rule requiring applicants for group insurance to state their color, the International Fur and Leather Workers announced yesterday.

## City Plurality For FDR 771,213

President Roosevelt's city plurality over Gov. Dewey was 771,213, the official tabulation of the Board of Elections, released yesterday, revealed.

This is 52,754 votes more than his city plurality over Wendell Willkie in 1940.

The President polled 1,347,754 votes on the Democratic Party line, 388,591 on the American Labor Party line and 306,155 on the Liberal Party line.

The ALP cast 71,562 more votes for him this year than four years ago. The Democratic vote declined slightly more than 300,000.

The Republican vote was 1,271,287, an absolute gain of 23,663 over 1940 but a slight loss proportionately, since 100,000 more people voted for President this year.

Sen. Wagner ran ahead of the President in all boroughs except Manhattan. His plurality was 824,705. He received higher Democratic and ALP votes than FDR but a lower Liberal Party vote.

State headquarters of the ALP announced yesterday that the incomplete count to date gives the party a vote of 495,021, with Suffolk County missing and nine upstate county figures still uncertified. The Suffolk ALP vote was close to 3,000 in 1940 and the uncertified counties include some of the largest upstate. Certified figures in most counties have been larger than those reported unofficially in the press.

## Hold 600 in Moyne Assassination Probe

CAIRO, Nov. 29 (UP).—As a result of the investigation of the assassination of Lord Moyne, British resident minister in the Middle East, on Nov. 6, at least 600 persons have been arrested in Palestine, it was learned today.



## They Back the Union:

CIO furriers show where they stand as Irving Potash, Furriers Joint Council manager, asks for a vote to compel employers to comply with a National War Labor Board decision. More than 2,000 attended the meeting in Manhattan Center, filled two halls, and instructed leaders of the International Fur and Leather Workers Union to take "all necessary steps" to end employers' defiance. WLB ordered job security and a week's vacation, incorporated in a contract to continue the agreement that expired Feb. 15.

—Daily Worker photo

## Dubinsky Connivings Menace Unity of Labor and of Nation

By LOUIS BUDENZ

Mounting events make it essential to show fully the damaging job which David Dubinsky and his type of Social Democrat are trying to pull off against labor and national unity. Their connivings at defeatism and division are becoming ever more of a menace.

The thick coat of camouflage which Dubinsky and his allies throw over their maneuvers makes their game particularly deceptive. The Norman Thomas specimen of openly pro-Nazi pacifist group is getting to be pretty well known by now, although too many people still collaborate with them.

The Dubinsky Social Democrat has still the advantage that he parades as one who "supported" Roosevelt and as being therefore in the camp of victory and international amity. In reality, he is working in diametrically the opposite direction. That has to be brought forward clearly, so that labor will understand just what such people are shooting at.

We run across this phenomenon of the Dubinsky Social Democrat in many other countries than the United States.

## POLISH "SOCIALIST"

In the Polish picture at the present moment there is the "Socialist" Jan Kwapiński, doing the chore commonly done everywhere by the Dubinsky types. Even the New York Post had to admit Tuesday that this outfit gathered around Kwapiński in active alliance with the gang who flogged Jews in the universities and seized Teschen in a deal with the Nazis. It was not chance, you can be sure, which caused this Kwapiński to be a close friend of David Dubinsky when the former was a resident of the United States. They were in frequent association and consultation at that period.

Another Dubinsky type of Social Democrat is V. Tanner, the Finnish Social Democrat who has out-Mannerheim Mannerheim in hatred toward the Soviet Union. Thoroughly responsive to the Tanner tune, the Dubinsky group and their paper the New Leader have carried on a disgusting campaign against the Soviet Union on the Finnish question.

These things are worth recalling and re-emphasizing because they underline the current news concerning Dubinsky's activities. On Monday the Scripps-Howard special writer Fred Perkins reported in the World-Telegram of Dubinsky's labors at New Orleans to get John L. Lewis into the AFL. Said Dubinsky quite openly to Perkins: "Mr. Lewis has too much talent and force to be isolated in the labor movement."



DUBINSKY

Dubinsky, the alleged supporter of Roosevelt, says this of the man who has devoted his every bitter hour to tearing down the President and his war policies. The September convention of the United Mine Workers, one of the most autocratically run and reactionary in American labor history, gives plenty of cues as to what Lewis would do if admitted to the AFL. He would line up with Brulser Bill Hutcheson and Matthew Woll to control the AFL definitely for the Hoover-Hearst-America First gang of defeatists. There are too many people of that type in the leading posts of the federation as it is.

Within the AFL, as the records of the UMW convention prove, Lewis would block any genuine reconversion program such as is being proposed by the Roosevelt Administration and would fight labor unity both here and internationally. And yet Dubinsky is busy at New Orleans, trying to put such a man in a position where he can do the most damage to the President and the people's objectives of security and permanent peace.

## ANTI-SEMITISM

The anti-Semitism which Lewis has so blatantly promoted in the United Mine Workers Journal and at the UMW convention doesn't prevent Dubinsky from making common cause with him. That is not surprising. The particular assignment of Dubinsky and his pals is that of diverting the Jewish people from full unity against anti-Semitism. The anti-Soviet and "anti-Communist" stuff is the means applied to that end.

At the notable War Emergency Conference at Atlantic City, called by the World Jewish Congress, a strong voice was heard last Monday bringing that very indictment against the Dubinsky crowd. The speaker was Dr. N. Barou, noted delegate from Great Britain, himself a Socialist and a leader in the

Workers Circle. As such he condemned the splitting stand of the Jewish Bund and Jewish Socialist labor leaders in America, saying that their red-baiting was harmful to the Jewish people.

That is, of course, in keeping with the whole Dubinsky procedure. Through the defunct IFTU he is maneuvering to prevent international labor unity. Through the Matthew Woll fund he is striving to bribe refugees into taking paths of division and anti-Semitism. On Poland he has spent time and money to aid those who oppose United Nations unity and help the greedy Polish landlords. In Italy he and his colleagues have tried actively to promote splits. In regard to Spain, they are playing around with Prieto and his plots. All of these destructive activities have been carried on in collusion with Raphael Abramovitch, that chief of Soviet-haters, with the object of breeding suspicion in the United Nations camp.

Every place they are found, in a word, working with those reactionary forces which threaten peace and democracy. Their platform is not unlike that of Hearst and McCormick, those men and agencies against whom former Ambassador Joseph E. Davies warned as enemies of the peace.

And yet, Dubinsky and his friends are circulating among liberals through the so-called liberal Party and are using it as a means to further their evil work. That is why their connivings have to be brought out into the light of the day. The labor movement has a distinct duty to make sure that these things are recognized for what they are.

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## AFL Deception

THE cry for "labor unity" that has come from the leadership of the AFL is a smokescreen.

The AFL high command, whose policies are largely determined by the Hooverite Hutcheson-Woll axis, is running into difficulties. Large sections of the membership of the federation and many leaders as well are attracted by the dynamic, progressive and patriotic policies of the CIO.

This has its reflection in the current convention and even in the AFL Executive Council itself.

By raising the "unity" demand and picturing the CIO as the disruptive organization, the leadership hopes to deflect this increasing dissatisfaction with its policies and to direct it against the CIO.

It is moving heaven and earth to get John L. Lewis back in to bolster its own position within that body and to invigorate its struggle against the CIO.

What sort of program is it the Federation leaders offer as the basis for their "unity"? The nature of their attack on the CIO at the convention and their position on the fundamental problems confronting the labor movement demonstrate that it will not promote unity and progress but perpetuate division and aid reaction.

They continue to revile the CIO for having split the labor movement by leaving the "house of labor." Thus, they deliberately shut their eyes to the fact that mainly as a result of CIO activity the labor movement has increased its membership from 3,000,000 to 13,000,000; that it has enormously strengthened its position politically and economically; that it has proved to be a magnificent instrument for unifying the nation and advancing the war effort.

Having refused to back President Roosevelt for reelection, they have no hesitation in aiding the arch-reactionary elements in the nation whose political program is "get Roosevelt" by themselves attacking him violently.

They will not budge from their hidebound position on behalf of the Jimcrow policies of various affiliates.

In the field of international policy, they continue their violent opposition to world labor unity, following closely the position of the leading anti-United Nations elements in the country.

They get very angry at the idea that retribution must be exacted from a defeated Germany and plead for a "soft" peace.

An examination of the make-up of this AFL leadership shows why they hold such policies. The combination of GOP Hooverites, Dubinskyite Social Democrats and friends of John L. Lewis resembles the gang of Munichite labor leaders that dominated the working class in pre-war Europe and aided fascism's ascendancy by its disruptive, red-baiting, anti-Soviet policies. In fact, the AFL leaders are closely associated with some of those bankrupt European "labor leaders" who have sought refuge here.

Among the AFL leaders are several who oppose this Hutcheson-Woll-Dubinsky combination, who joined with the rest of labor in the electoral coalition that swept the President back into the White House. Unfortunately, they have not yet raised their voices against the policies developed at the convention. The rank and file, however, will continue to increase its pressure upon the leadership on behalf of a program more in line with the needs and desires of the American working class.

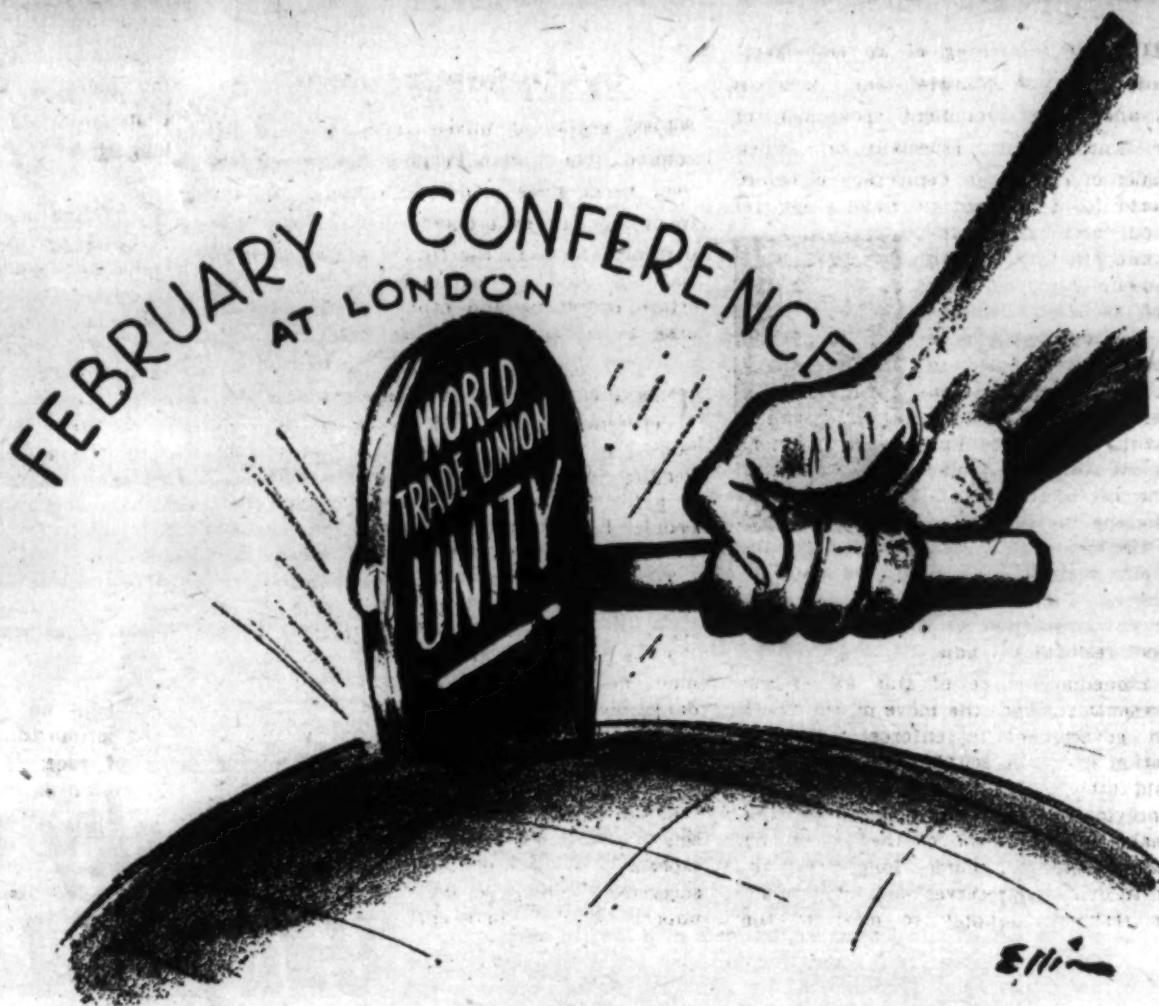
It is joint action by the entire labor movement, including sections of the AFL leadership, the AFL rank and file, the CIO and railway labor—on the basis of a program of world and national unity that will lead to a united trade union organization.

## A Permanent FEPC

THE House Labor Committee has approved the La Follette-Scanlon-Dawson Bill giving permanent statutory basis to the President's Committee of Fair Employment Practices. In a dramatic session the City Council of New York unanimously endorsed a resolution asking Congress to support a permanent FEPC. This resolution was identical with the resolution originally introduced by Councilman Benjamin J. Davis, Jr. In Syracuse New York ALP and CIO spokesmen joined with other groups in urging strengthening of two state anti-discrimination bills.

These are important steps in the right direction. They must be backed by all labor and progressive forces and people's organizations. The hearings on the New York bills must be participated in because there are powerful forces who showed during the election that they will block every such measure designed to strengthen national unity.

## A BLOW FOR VICTORY



— They're Saying in Washington —

## Gene Cox Faces New Times

By Adam Lapin

WASHINGTON.

REP. E. E. COX of Georgia, the stormy petrel of Southern reaction, the leader of a Republican-poll-tax coalition in many a bitter battle with the administration, made an interesting little speech last week which is still a topic of discussion in the Congressional cloak rooms.

"I look upon the election as a magnificent personal tribute to the President," Cox told the House. "The people have said that they want him and certainly the whole world salutes him as its first citizen. . . . We need to continue united on the war and on the peace that will follow. We need to establish and maintain harmonious relations with the executive branch of the government."

One die-hard Southern Congressman smiled when I asked him what he thought of Cox's speech. "Why that's just Gene's annual harmony speech," he said. "Gene made an awfully good one last year." But this cynic conceded that maybe there was something in the wind, that maybe the irreconcilable among the Southerners would be a little more reasonable at the next session.

I decided to talk to Cox myself, find out what he had in mind. Cox is usually cocky and arrogant on the floor or at meetings of the Rules Committee which he dominates. He has a reputation for being amiable in personal conversation. He was at his most charming when I saw him.

"There's too much bitterness, too many rigid attitudes," Cox told me. "There should be a little more tolerance, a little more understanding on both sides."

Millennium Still Far Off

Cox even extended this general good feeling to the Daily Worker. "You and I represent opposite extremes," he said. "But we're really not so far apart. I have said many harsh things about the Daily Worker. But I shouldn't say that your design is to wreck the country. That isn't true."

But even after this I was a little surprised when he said: "I

know there is a new world in the making. I'm not hidebound. I'm not irreconcilably bound to the past."

I wanted to know what reactions Cox had gotten to his speech from his Southern colleagues. "Some of the fellows kidded me and said I had abandoned the cause," he said. "But most of them praised me and said I had done a statesmanlike thing."

One of the most reactionary Southern Congressmen, Rep. Mendel Rivers of South Carolina, had already told the Associated Press: "It was a fine statement and reflected what a lot of us were thinking."

When I tried to get a bit more specific on the meaning of Cox's statement, it became clear that the millennium was still a long way off.

"I put out a feeler," Cox said. "It's up to the President to make the first move. I don't see too much change in the House unless the President makes some move."

Cox said that he was in accord with the President's foreign policies and was all for the international security organization projected at Dumbarton Oaks. But he was by no means sure that he was in favor of giving the American delegate to the security council powers to act in putting down aggression.

Implications Of Nov. 7

"I don't think Congress should sign away all its powers," he said. "On the other hand, I don't think our delegate ought to be helplessly tied up in red tape. I am confident that some compromise can be worked out."

I asked him about the possibility

ties of cooperation with the administration on postwar legislation, specifically what he would say to a housing program based on the President's Chicago speech in which he said that private interests should be encouraged to go ahead but that the government should take care of those low income families who could not afford decent housing.

"You know I have always been a violent opponent of socialization in all its forms," Cox said. But he added in general tone that he was not necessarily opposed to federal aid for slum clearance or for unemployment compensation during reconversion.

I'd sum it up this way. It is too early to say to what extent there will actually be a rapprochement between the Administration and some of the die-hard polltaxers. I'm not suggesting that we forget too easily the lengthy obstructionist record of men like Cox, or all the bitter words they have said in the past.

But I would add that we sometimes tend to overlook the enormous implications of the Nov. 7 elections and the opportunities which now exist for a strengthened national unity coalition behind the President.

Particularly in the South big things have been happening. They happened in the primaries, and in the elections. Even Gene Cox is forced to recognize that the day of the magnolia blossom statesmen is ending, that he is confronted with new times and new problems. It will take the test of legislative conflict to see what decision he makes and how he resolves his problems.

## Worth Repeating

PROF. HOWARD E. WILSON of the Harvard Graduate School of Education tells of the gaps on what is taught about the USSR in our educational institutions, suggests new measures, and sums up as follows in a speech printed in SOVIET RUSSIA TODAY (December issue): Now, what I have tried to say is, first, that the story of instruction about this tremendously significant area in American education is very sad. We are not doing very much and much of what we are doing must be undone. But I have outlined six ways by which, I think, we can make immediate progress. One is a negative suggestion—not to isolate and demand the study of the Soviet Union in a separate course. The others are positive. Special units of work, filtration of material about the Soviet Union in its proper place, the increased use of exhibits and visual aids, an expanded program of teacher training, a close correlation between education in schools and, finally, education in the community at large.



# Today's Guest Column

IT MUST be something of an embarrassment to Prime Minister Jan Christian Smuts and other prominent spokesmen of British Empire unity, especially now when the issues of empire vs. democracy is before the world for settlement, to have a quarrel break out between the Indian and South African governments over the question of racial discrimination. The discreet silence customarily maintained in British official circles on the matter of South Africa's treatment of its non-European (non-white) population has been rudely shattered by the reprisal action of the Central Legislative Assembly of India placing restrictions upon the residence, trade, property and local franchise rights of white South Africans (except those from Cape Province) resident in India.



by Alphaeus Hunton

800,000 people of mixed racial stock called colored. The Indian Pegging Act passed last year would have made it illegal for Indians to own or occupy property in European residential areas. (In the United States residential "covenants," agreements among real estate operators, and other instruments are used to segregate Negro residences.)

THE great outcry raised against this discrimination made it necessary for the South African government to repeal the Pegging Act. Instead, with the cooperation of a few wealthy Indians who betrayed their people, a substitute agreement was reached, still banning residence, but establishing a Licensing Board by which Indian purchase of property might be controlled. But this failed to quiet the protests.

A warning from an influential pro-government newspaper, the Cape Times, as to the dangerous consequences of the discriminatory measure against the Indians, was voiced as far back as last April. "It is a curious thing that the Dominion Party," an editorial said, "the one political party in this country which sets itself up as, before everybody else, the special guardian of the 'Empire' as such, succeeds in doing so much mischief to the imperial cause. There can be no reasonable

## South Africa's Residence Law And the Reprisal by India

question that the recent Indian Pegging bill did more to upset inter-imperial relations than anything which has happened for a long time."

JUST how much these relations have been upset and how far the rupture between India and South Africa will go remains to be seen. One may be fairly sure, however, that the reverberations of the present clash will be felt in some degree throughout the Empire. For the "color problem," with the rare exception of a New Zealand or Ceylon, is Empire-wide.

Underlying the immediate issue of Indian segregation and the disabilities and restrictions placed upon the entire non-European population is the reactionary hue and cry, heard also in Kenya and other parts of East Africa as well as in our own southern states, about "preserving white supremacy." In reality this means in Africa, just as over here, preserving the special privileges of a small clique of those white people who hold economic and political power.

At bottom this is a problem of class interest, not of race. That it is being increasingly recognized as such is proved by the fact that not only Africans and Indians but also a considerable number of white workers in South Africa are banding together to wage a common struggle in the interest of democratic rights for all.

## Listen Here,



Mr. Editor

### Letter From France

Brooklyn, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

My brother-in-law who is in France sent us a copy of L'Humanite, which it was good to see.

"Wages are generally low—200 to 400 francs a week—(\$4-8). The stores are well stocked but prices are out of proportion. The reason for this is because the prices are evaluated at the German value of the franc (1/54) whereas we pay 2 cents for our francs. So you see it makes a considerable difference to us soldiers and the populace. Food is generally scarce but one can at times get a fair meal for 40 francs—(80 cents) in one of the local restaurants.

"The black market flourishes in France, but the military authorities are slowly catching up with them."

MRS. N. KAPLAN

### Thank God

Springfield, Mass.

Editor, Daily Worker:

I have only recently learned about the young soldier's wife who was raped by several men in Alabama. Nothing has ever shocked me so much. To think that young Mrs. Taylor could have such a thing happen to her here in the United States of America without the law taking a hand to punish the rapists is almost impossible to understand.

Thank God someone has the courage and decency to fight in her behalf.

MOTHER OF 3 GIRLS AND 3 SONS

### Don't Waste The Sugar

Saco, Maine

Editor, Daily Worker:

Would it be agreeable for Mike Singer to have his four Daily Worker kids demand their rights of the restaurant owner by banging, speaking up and any other means except wasting the catsup and sugar? Both items are very precious now until the war is won—The Dewey and capitalist kids might say: You see the Communists make a lot of talk about sacrificing for victory but the Daily Worker kids think it is smart to waste rationed food.

MARY E. AVERILL

### They're Uniting In Idaho

Naples, Idaho.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Up here in northern Idaho our problems are many. Our population is made up of farmers, loggers, miners and railroad workers. These different groups should have many interests in common because most of the loggers and miners have a small stump ranch and most farmers do some logging or other work seasonably. Somehow the loggers don't seem to take enough interest in the farmers and the farmers don't show enough interest in the problems of the loggers.

In spite of such misunderstanding they went to the polls and did a splendid job so they showed unity even if they didn't realize it. It was a clear indication that the people are getting ready for a century of the common man.

FRIEND.

The opinions expressed in these letters are those of the readers and not necessarily of the paper. We welcome letters from our readers and their friends on subjects of current interest. To facilitate the printing of as many letters as possible, and to allow for the freest discussion, please limit letters to 300 words.

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## Views On Labor News

NEW ORLEANS

"WE HAVE no rift within the family of the AFL," said William Green as he opened the AFL convention. A week later the sweetness and peace in the "house of labor" broke out in all its fury.

Harvey Brown, president of the Machinists, announced this largest AFL affiliate would hold a special convention to decide on measures to protect its jurisdiction from inroads by Bill Hutcheson's carpenters and operating engineers. This union may withdraw a second time.



A whole series of sharp jurisdiction battles are kicking in the AFL's insides. One before the convention involves the injunction proceedings by the Order of Railroad Telegraphers against the Brotherhood of Steamship Clerks. A whole string of others affects the Teamsters and Laborers, the AFL's auto union whose charter, says the Molders, ought to be pulled; the Canadian Seamen's Union whose charter the convention did pull.

REGARDING unity, there is general agreement that it would be nice, but the discussion revealed what sharp differences there are on how to achieve it. On anti-Negro bars in unions, the AFL discovered that, far

by George Morris

from subsiding, the fight on this issue is disturbing the "family" as never before. All this and more broke out despite the fact that men to whom many looked for leadership to bring something fresh into the AFL have lain down and hardly uttered a word or moved a finger.

Perhaps most indicative of the picture was the speech of James M. Duffy, president of the Operative Potters. He told the convention pointblank that the AFL has no men of leadership and "force." The tragedy is that he brought this out in connection with a plea that John L. Lewis be readmitted. He pictured Lewis as the man of initiative that the AFL needs. He admitted that he "has no brief for Lewis." But, he went on, "there is too much dictatorship in the AFL" and "it is common knowledge that the heads of some unions have power equal to Lewis." So why pick on Lewis?

Describing what he said is common talk as the man who would "rack open the hard shell which encases the AFL's bureaucracy, the AFL's entire officialdom took it all in and just listened. Not a single one had the answers or the courage to give them.

LATER in the lobby, I heard others of the usually timid smaller delegations say that "Duffy said what many of us wanted to say

## AFL Family Is Unhappy, But Few Dare to Speak Up

in a long time." The formula coming from Duffy isn't an expression of people who have anything in common with Lewis' America First line, his anti-Semitism or his anti-Roosevelt sniping. It is of people who have become convinced that someone or some force has to bust through the top bureaucracy of the AFL if any advanced views are to break through an AFL convention or the executive council.

Of course, those who sincerely hold to Duffy's position still think of the Lewis who once did crack through the AFL bureaucracy (of which he was a loyal member) and temporarily played a progressive part in what later developed as the CIO. They dream of a similar rejuvenation. But their outlook is too narrow to recognize the change that has taken place—that Lewis has become a pillar of reaction in labor ranks, and the effort to bring him into the AFL is for the purpose of strengthening the very forces who today smother and hamstring the Federation.

The family is far from happy. If at times everything seems peaceful in the "house of labor" the reason is entirely due to the fact that few complain because it is useless to do so, or no one is either able or willing to challenge those in the saddle. The Duffys think they found a challenger. But the very fact that Hutcheson, Woll, Green et al—the controlling bureaucracy, are on their knees begging Lewis to come in should indicate the kind of a challenger they have found.

## Why CIO Parley Denounced Franco

WHEN the fascist Axis attacked the Spanish Republic in 1936, the vast majority of Americans believed that this was of no great consequence to the United States. Together with Paris and London, New York was content to watch while Madrid fell. Time has proven this to have been one of history's most costly mistakes.

The triumph of German intervention in Spain prepared the ground for Munich and paved the way for the present war. In the course of the war, Franco's troops have fought in the ranks of the Nazi wehrmacht against our Soviet ally. His merchant marine has guided Hitler's submarines to our ships. His status as a "neutral" has been used to acquire strategic war materials for transshipment to Germany.

Nazi Germany which used the soil of Spain for its first great act of aggression, now plans to use that same soil as a base for its rebirth, following defeat in this war.

Franco's Nazi masters have given him the

by Bob Thompson

mission of spreading fascism on the American continent and of mobilizing the countries of South America against the United States and the United Nations. It is through Franco that Nazi war criminals hope to find a safe haven. It is through his regime that these war criminals hope to retain a substantial measure of camouflaged control over German and European economic resources. And it is upon the Franco regime that the Nazis now pin much of their hope of ultimately smashing the unity of the United Nations.

IT IS this plan of the Nazis which, is aided by continued diplomatic and trade relations with Franco. It is this plan which was aided when American business men rubbed shoulders with the representatives of Franco at the Chicago Airways Conference and with pro-Nazi Spanish bankers at the Rye International Business Conference.

The Catholic masses of Spain are struggling to free their country from the grip of the

Franco Quisling regime and to transform Spain from a dangerous Nazi base of operations into a bastion of democracy and United Nations' strength. This struggle has now entered the stage of widespread military operations by guerilla forces. It is being led by a Supreme Junta of National Union which represents the patriotic forces of all classes within Spain.

THESE are a few of the reasons why the following declaration of the just concluded CIO National Convention deserves the attention and support of every American:

"The successful outcome of the efforts of the United Nations including all peace-loving nations, large and small, to establish an international organization dedicated to the preservation of peace, necessarily involves the elimination of fascism wherever it may be found. We must not permit Franco Spain, the ally of Hitler and Mussolini, the destroyer of democracy in that country, now to enter the fold of the United Nations. The people of Spain shall be protected and assisted in their desire for freedom and a democratic government."





# Light on Poland: Will Mikolajczyk Miss the Bus?

By JOSEPH STAROBIN

Prospects for a settlement of the "Polish problem" appear brighter today than ever before—provided the desperate and hopelessly reactionary London emigres, particularly the Socialist, Jan Kwapinski, are not allowed to befuddle the American public.

By a settlement, I mean that the leader of the Peasant Party in exile, Stanislaw Mikolajczyk, now faces his last chance to come together with the Polish Committee of National Liberation, the men who are heroically, but definitely, helping to raise a new and democratic Poland on the ashes of the old.

Such a Poland will arise in any case—that's what Americans have to get clearly in mind. The Soviet Union made it very plain, through the newspaper Pravda yesterday that as for itself, it rejects any resumption of relations with the London emigres.

According to Ned Russell in the New York Herald Tribune Monday: "Britain is getting tired of the persistent wrangling among the Poles (in exile) and almost certainly will feel compelled to reconsider its attitude toward them if they continue this way."

## LUBLIN COMMITTEE

It is no secret that our own government shares this exasperation. Our diplomats are more and more impressed with the solid character and democratic purpose of the Lublin Committee. Herbert Lehman of UNRRA, has made it clear that aid will go to Poland through the Lublin Committee, even though we continue to have diplomatic relations with the emigre government.

It is fantastically unrealistic, therefore, to think about the

## NO DEAL WITH LONDON POLES: PRAVDA

MOSCOW, Nov. 29. — The Soviet Communist Party newspaper Pravda declared today that the Polish government-in-exile had become a hostile political force with which any future negotiations were obviously impossible.

Accusing Polish reactionaries of a scheme to split the Allies and foster a new war, Pravda said it looked upon the withdrawal of Stanislaw Mikolajczyk as premier as destroying the last hopes of rapprochement with the exiled regime.

Mikolajczyk received gentle treatment in Pravda's discussion and apparently the possibility was envisaged that he and a number of other members of the Peasant Party abroad might go to Lublin, the seat of the Polish Committee of National Liberation.

Polish problem today without bearing in mind that a new Poland is arising. The New York Post, for example, published an editorial on Tuesday urging "realism" among the emigres without once mentioning the Committee of Liberation. That isn't realism; that's self-delusion and misinformation of the public.

As Edgar Snow pointed out in the Saturday Evening Post weeks ago the Committee of Liberation is dividing the land among the peasants—a demand for which all Polish democrats have fought over twenty years.

The only estates which remain untouched belong to the Catholic Church—an answer to those who inject religious issues in the controversy. In fact, it was the Liberation Committee which recently reopened the Catholic University in Lublin after five years of its suppression by the Nazis.

And the leaders of the Liberation Committee like Eduard Osuska-Morawski, or Boleslaw Drobner, or Vincenty Witos, are among the foremost Socialist and Peasant Party leaders of Poland. Dr. Emil Sommerstein, the noted Conservative Zionist, is likewise a member.

You don't begin to understand Polish reality unless you remember that the Socialist and Peasant Parties—the two main democratic parties—were divided in pre-war Poland. The best leaders remained at home to fight the Nazis the hard way; and they have now come into their own.

It's no use saying again and again that the Committee of Liberation are Communists or "Soviet puppets"—it isn't true and the Polish people know that.

What then is the issue in London? Last Saturday, Premier Mikolajczyk, around whom are grouped the remnants of decency in the exiled officialdom, took up courage and resigned his post. Apparently, he could not get his government's backing for any kind of settlement with the Liberation Committee or the Soviet Union.

## EMIGRE GOVT

This resignation lays bare the true character of what's left among the emigres. One group is deeply pro-fascist; it is led by President Wladislaw Raczkiewicz, who holds the real power by virtue of the undemocratic and dictatorial April, 1935, Constitution. Poland produced no quislings, the saying goes. But the reason is that its quislings became the kingpins of the exiled regime—meaning, above all, Raczkiewicz.

The only other group of significance comprises the right-wing Social-Democrats, led by Jan Kwapinski. The New York Post on Tuesday calls them "democratic Socialists whose deep-rooted hatred of Soviet dictatorship has led them into a fantastic and dangerous alliance with aristocrats, landowning barons, army militarists and the lot."

Leaving aside the crack about "Soviet dictatorship," this embarrassed characterization is quite a giveaway: for how democratic are these Socialists who have such an inveterate hatred of Russia and such easy ties with landowning barons, aristocrats, and militarists?

The fact is that Jan Kwapinski is analogous to Vaine Tanner, in Finland. They are the die-hards. They do not speak for Polish Socialists, much less for the Polish people. If Mikolajczyk couldn't get along with them, you can imagine the kind of men they are.

Now two possibilities open up. The first is for Mikolajczyk to return to the government, which is what the New York Post urges. But why did he resign, if all he can do now is to return? How plain it is that if he returns, he will again become no more than a puppet for the most reactionary forces of his regime. And after

the Pravda statement, he will have no hope for himself whatsoever except to go down on to the scrap-heap of history with the rest of the emigre crew.

The other alternative is for Mikolajczyk to make the break which is long overdue. And that is to join with the authentic forces of a democratic Poland and form a government when Warsaw is liberated.

Such a government would be based on the 1921 Constitution for which Mikolajczyk himself fought, and was even jailed by the Raczkiewicz crowd in years gone by. Such a government would unite the best of Polish opinion abroad with the real Poland—at home.

Instead of urging Mikolajczyk to seal himself into the coffin of the old regime, American liberals and progressives should urge precisely the opposite.

## TRUE CHARACTER

If Americans have come to understand the Yugoslav emigres of the Mikallovitch type... and are now learning something about Belgian emigres, why not appreciate the true character of the Polish emigres, and stop chattering as though they alone constitute the Polish people?

The people are in Poland, and they will go forward, and solve their own problems in friendship with Soviet Russia, in friendship with Czechoslovakia, France and the United Nations. They are our friends, our allies.

Will Mikolajczyk miss the bus? That's his business. As for us, we can only point to the locomotive of history, already puffing away. For the sake of unity among the United Nations, and a Poland friendly, strong, and democratic, it is to Poland itself that all eyes will turn.

## New Iran Head Outlines Policy

Iran must establish relations with all friendly countries and continue relations with the United Nations, the new Premier, Mustafa Qoli Khan Bayat, told the Iranian Parliament Tuesday.

The Bayat government was formed after Premier Mohammed Saad was forced to resign by mass public protests against his refusal to grant oil concessions to the Soviet Union.

Other points in the program presented to Parliament by Premier Bayat are:

- Maintenance of Iran's security;
- Improvement of living conditions;
- Preparation of public health plans;
- Compulsory education;
- A new labor law to provide better conditions for labor;
- Revision of the electoral law and administrative improvements;
- New agricultural and economic programs to create employment.

## Warn Snipers In Strasbourg

STRASBOURG, Nov. 28 (Delayed) (UP).—Five German hostages will be executed for every French soldier killed by snipers, in Strasbourg, Brig. Gen. Jacques LeClerc, commander of the French 2nd Armored Division, announced today in a stern proclamation posted throughout the city.

LeClerc declared that his edict would become effective at 5 p.m. Saturday, which also was fixed as the deadline for the surrender to the French Forces of the Interior of all weapons held by "unauthorized persons." After that time, the proclamation warned, the death penalty will be invoked for illegal possession of arms, and any German soldier found in civilian clothes will be shot.

## France Nationalizes Coal Mines in North

Nationalization of the coal mines of northern France was decreed Tuesday by the French government. Security holders will be compensated on the basis of 1938 values. This measure is the first big step toward nationalization of key industries, which is a demand of the resistance movement. It goes much further than simple wartime operation of private industry.

## Dance Friday for Harlem GI Center

The supervisory committee of the Harlem Defense Recreation Center will sponsor its second annual dance at the Savoy Ballroom this Friday for the purpose of purchasing Christmas gifts for the servicemen of the Center.

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## WHAT'S ON

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## Labor for Rise In Security Tax

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29 (UP).—Martin H. Miller, legislative representative of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, told the House Ways and Means Committee today that labor opposed pending measures to freeze the Social Security payroll tax at its one percent level in 1945.

Miller said he knew of no labor representative who favored the freeze proposal, and that he had been told by AFL and CIO representatives that those organizations would oppose it.

"Now is the time to build up the Social Security fund," he said, "when industry is making excessive profits and when all employable workers are gainfully employed."

He said it was difficult to understand why employer groups favored the freeze, because a subsidy from general tax funds would be needed to meet benefit liabilities if sufficient reserve funds were not allowed to accumulate.

## Meeting Will Hear Of CIO, AFL Parleys

Correspondents for the Daily Worker and The Worker attending the national CIO and AFL conventions will report to readers Friday, Dec. 8, at 8 p.m. at Manhattan Center.

Under the chairmanship of Earle Browder, editor-in-chief of the Daily Worker, the meeting will hear Roy Hudson, labor editor; Rose Wortis, special correspondent for the Freiheit; Alan Max, associate managing editor, and George Morris, associate labor editor.

Admission is 60 cents, or \$1.25 including a six-month sub to The Worker, or \$2 including a two-year sub. Five-by-five club members are admitted free. The meeting is sponsored by the Daily Worker.

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## Celler Talk Tonight On Dumbarton Oaks

Emanuel Celler, Democratic Congressman from Brooklyn, will speak tonight (Thursday) at Times Hall on "How Best To Implement Dumbarton Oaks." The speech to be delivered on the Design for Action Program under the auspices of Forum for Democracy, will be broadcast at 10 p.m. over WOV.

On the same program Arthur Upham Pope and Lisa Sergio, radio commentator will offer proposals for mobilizing public sentiment in a drive against isolationism.

## Let 'er Roll

By FRANCES LOMAN

My work as a full-time renewal and sub-getter represents a step along a new direction for professionalizing the distribution of The Worker. During the initial seven weeks in the Harlem community, 315 renewals and subs were obtained, averaging 45 per week; with a very real perspective existing for a steady increase in this figure.

A sub-getter on this basis should combine business efficiency with a fundamental political approach. Let us first take the angle of business efficiency. Many of the letters for renewals issued from The Worker office are unanswered because the subscriber is busy on his job, comes home late, has no checking account and is unable to get to the post office to obtain a money order. Some subscribers are just negligent. Others are unable perhaps to expend \$2 all at once. I accept a down payment with a definite commitment on a date for the payment of the balance. This works along with a revolving fund set up for that purpose and the subscriber feels that he has received a real service.

To think of a sub-getter in terms solely of a business representative would be indeed far from an accurate picture. The Worker representative is a political representative of the paper. During the election campaign I was called upon to answer many basic questions raised by the subscribers and their families.

A CASE IN POINT

As much as we appreciate the value of our paper, it does not sell itself. A renewal does not automatically renew itself. Many times I received the answer—"I do not intend to renew." A "no" for an answer merely opened the discussion. Let me cite some examples:

A Democratic captain in the 11 AD who was given a Worker sub as a gift six months ago did not intend to renew because the paper, she claimed, presented Communist views and she was a Democrat. Pointing out the role of the paper in cementing unity in Harlem and that it would make her contribution to the Democratic Party a more profound and effective one, she renewed.

Some trade unionists gave as reasons for not renewing, the high quality of their trade union papers. Roy Hudson's article in the Oct. 8 issue of The Worker on seniority rights and the Negro served as an excellent example of the role of The Worker in giving leadership to trade unionists themselves on trade union questions. But further than that, the role of The Worker in showing the interrelationship of the interests of trade unionists with those of the nation—and yes—of the United Nations, served to clinch the renewal.

Often times I would find a subscriber's wife at home who would say she'd have to consult her husband first. I continued to discuss the paper with her. Did she read it? Did she like it? By golly—I would say—isn't political clarity a need for women too—who have to grapple with the problems of housing, child care, prices, inadequate family budgets and the war itself. Did she not have a choice as to her own paper? This coupled with Elizabeth Gurley Flynn's pamphlet—Women Have a Date With Destiny—often made them feel that they might even lead the way, and they renewed the sub.

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# LOW DOWN

## The Lightning Offensive, Vs. The Slogging One

### Nat Low

By now even the youngest kid in elementary school knows that the forthcoming battle between Army and Navy will be a duel between the T formation and the single wing methods of gridiron attack. And likewise are most people aware of the fact that it will be Navy's awesome line against Army's tremendous two-team backfield.

But most observers have, for dramatic purposes, exaggerated the differences between the lines and the backfields of the service teams.

You will meet a lot of sober observers of the gridiron scene who will battle you tooth and nail on the subject of Navy's alleged superiority in the line. And likewise will you run into many folks who will not give Army's backfield one inch over Navy's.

And I think this makes sense. Actually, that Army forward wall is not composed of cream-puffs and if Navy's line has an edge it lies only in its greater experience and not in its crunching ability to smash gaping holes in the opposition. And if you think that Navy backfield has to bow before the admittedly great Army backfield, here too you are mistaken.

The Middle backs will run, pass, plunge and block with all the ferocity and competence of their West Point rivals. Army has blockbuster Doc Blanchard, Navy has blockbuster Bob Jenkins; Army has speedster Glenn Davis, Navy has speedster Clyde Scott; Army has passer Doug Kenna, Navy has passer Hal Hamberg, all 150 pounds of him.

And so on down the line.

If there is any difference between the teams it lies in their tactics during any given game. Army's attack is dependent upon the fast-breaking play that will spring a man into the secondary from where he will scoot the remaining distance to the goal line, while Navy's method is based on the power play that smashes eight or nine yards on every attempt and will simply overwhelm the opposition. Rarely this season have Navy backs slithered through for long runs.

If you have seen newsreels of Navy games you were undoubtedly awed by the relentlessness of the Middle attack, the steady pounding of six, seven, eight, ten, fifteen yards at every clip.

Navy has scored most of its touchdowns late in each game after its ever-increasing power had pulverized the opposition and laid it open. Army has struck like lightning, from the very beginning, and these bolts have succeeded in crumpling the defensive fervor of the opposition before they could get set.

From this you have to ask the obvious: can Navy pound Army into submission while simultaneously holding that quick-breaking Army backfield in check?

If we knew the answer to this we'd be a millionaire overnight—for there's a lot of dough passing hands these days on both sides of the question.

Certainly Navy's line will be a more rugged and tenacious barrier than Army has ever faced. But it will take a lot of playing to prevent Army's attack from springing a man loose a number of times.

Similarly will it take a lot of playing for Army to stop that Navy juggernaut from lunging downfield, in its grinding, slugging, yard-eating offensive.

Of everything we know about the two teams from their play this season, any such odds as the 2 to 1 now being quoted on Army are ridiculous. Army isn't now, and probably never has been, twice as good as Navy.

But we think Army's swift-striking armored infantry which can traverse the whole length of the field in one bold, smashing stroke, must be rated a slight edge over a Navy attack that must travel the long distance to the goal line via short gulps. . . .

... And more tomorrow.

## Six Vets and Grenert, Too

(This concludes a series of previews of metropolitan college basketball teams. . .)

Last season NYU's Howard Cann sent as wonderful a freshman team upon the court as any coach could ever dream of. Fast, driving, slick ball handlers and fine shots, the kids did right well for themselves—and could have done even better if their coaching had been of a higher, more stable character.

Now they are back, with a full season's play under their belts and aided by the return to school of Al Grenert, star of the 1942-43 team and recently honorably discharged from the Marines.

The seasoned holdovers from last year are Howie Sarath, John Derderian, Sid Tanenbaum, Jack Gordon, Frank Mangiapane, and Marty Goldstein.

Tanenbaum, who scored 210 points in 16 games, was an unanimous choice for the All-Met and, in the opinion of most observers, the best college player in the district. He gave a brilliant exhibition in the losing game against Notre Dame when he led the scorers of both teams with 21 points. He ranks fifth among modern NYU pointmakers for one season.

Grenert in his last season with the Violets, made 229 points in 23

games and was as slick a ball handler as one could find in collegiate ranks. He is rated among the all-time NYU greats.

But even though Cann is well set with veterans he has another batch of promising freshmen who figure to see a lot of basketball this season. Leading among them are Donald Forman, Boys High all-city first team last year, and Frank Alagia, of Andrew Jackson, named on the second all-city squad. Forman is a sensational shot who led the strong Boys team all year. Against Manual he set an all-time PSAL record by scoring 49 points.

Alagia, a left-handed tosser, is a fast-breaking speedster and a skilled foreman who will set up many scores for the accurate shooting Violets.

The other freshmen are Fred Bonanti, Seymour Kravits, Burton Monasch, Alvin Most and Sam Roth.

All in all this figures to be a whale of a team NYU will put on the court this season and we would say it is the city's best—on paper, at least. NYU should win the city title and perhaps even the Invitation Tourney. . . . NAT LOW.

## Hagg, Other Swedish Ace, To Come Here

The indoor track and field campaign was given a tremendous boost today when Gunder Hagg and Haakon Lidman, two of Sweden's greatest athletes, advised national AAU secretary Daniel J. Ferris that they would come to the United States for the winter season.

The Svenska Idrottsforbundet, Swedish equivalent of the American AAU, sent a radiogram to Ferris advising him that Hagg, distance running sensation of the century, and Lidman, Europe's outstanding hurdler, had agreed to make the trip.

Ferris extended the invitation several months ago to Hagg, Lidman and Arne Andersson, holder of the world mile mark of 4:01.6. He made arrangements at that time to have the trio flown here. Andersson declined the invitation.

Ferris now must make new arrangements through the State Department for transit of the athletes and also confer with sponsors of the indoor meets. It was believed that the chief American competition for the pair would be Bill Hulse of the New York A. C., now in the Navy, and Gil Dodds of the Boston A. A., who soon will graduate from divinity school and embark on a missionary career.

Hulse and Dodds ran against Hagg outdoors in 1943, when the gaunt Swede made a transcontinental running tour of the United States for the benefit of the Army Air Forces.

## Big Baltimore Mystery! Where is Bob Jenkins?

by Phil Gordon

The Army-Navy game is developing into a mystery story down in Baltimore as sports detectives seek the answer to the question: "Where is Bob Jenkins?" Bob Jenkins, is, as you well know, the human blockbuster of the Navy backfield, the second Bronco Nagurski who hits the line like a sledgehammer and who was the difference between victory and defeat in last year's service game.

Two weeks ago, in the Cornell game, Jenkins ran around end and smashed into Al Bekdebrum. After the debris had been cleared away both men were lying on the ground, well worn. Since then Jenkins has not seen action and although Navy coach Oscar Hagberg guarantees Jenkins' presence on the field Saturday, the man in question has not put in any appearance at Navy's practice sessions this week and thus the mystery thickens.

Naturally, Navy must play Jenkins if they are to be in this ball game. The Middles are no one man team, but they cannot lose their key operative and expect to hold that mighty Army squad down.

But it all may be a psychological stroke on the part of the Navy high command and as such may help lull the Cadets into a false sense of security.

However, from what we know of the Army setup, they aren't easily frightened—or lulled.

Army coach Earl Blaik still in-

## Daily Worker Will Cover Army-Navy Game

We are proud to announce that the Daily Worker will be in the press box at Municipal Stadium, Baltimore, Saturday for the great gridiron battle between Army and Navy. This marks the first time the service academies have given the Daily Worker press privileges and we know our readers are happy that this last ban against America's only labor Daily has been ended in the sports world.

Sports Editor Nat Low will arrive in Baltimore tomorrow from where he will file an account of the contest as well as his column, The Lowdown, which will give our readers the color and drama surrounding this "game of the century."

sists upon seeing the dark side of every situation. . . . Now he claims that Navy's backs are much faster than his own and will probably outrun them easily.

Now you tell one, dear reader.

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### 11 A.M. TO NOON

11:00-WEAF—Road of Life  
WOR—Tro Harper, News  
WJZ—Breakfast With Breneman  
WABC—Amanda—Sketch  
11:30-WEAF—Rosemary—Sketch  
WOR—Talk and Music  
WABC—Second Husband  
11:30-WEAF—Star Playhouse  
WJZ—News; Jack Berch, Songs  
WABC—Bright Horizon  
WMCA—News; Dorsey Records  
11:45-WEAF—David Harum  
WOR—Tobey's Topics  
WABC—Aunt Jenny's Stories

### NOON TO 2 P.M.

12:00-WEAF—News Reports  
WOR—Sydney Moseley, News  
WJZ—Glamor Manor  
WABC—News; Kate Smith's Chat  
12:15-WEAF—Talk—Maggi McNellis  
WOR—Mealtime Melodies  
WABC—Big Sister  
12:30-WEAF—Sky High, Variety Show  
WOR—News; Juke Box  
WJZ—News; Farm and Home Hour  
WABC—Eileen Trent  
12:45-WEAF—Our Gal Sunday  
1:00-WEAF—Mary Margaret McBride  
WOR—Sunny Skylar, Songs  
WJZ—H. R. Baukhage, News  
WABC—Life Can Be Beautiful  
1:15-WOR—Terry's House Party  
WJZ—Woman's Exchange Show  
WABC—Ma Perkins  
1:30-WOR—Lopez Orchestra  
WABC—Bernardine Flynn, News  
1:45-WEAF—Morgan Beatty, News  
WJZ—Galen Drake  
WABC—The Goldbergs

### 2 P.M. TO 6 P.M.

2:00-WEAF—The Guiding Light  
WOR—Cedric Foster, News  
WJZ—News Comments  
WABC—Joyce Jordan, M.D.  
2:15-WEAF—Today's Children  
WOR—Talk—Jane Cowl  
WJZ—Galen Drake  
WABC—Two on a Cine  
2:30-WEAF—Women in White  
WOR—News; Real Stories  
WJZ—Ladies, Be Seated  
WABC—Young Dr. Malone  
2:45-WEAF—Hymns of All Churches  
WABC—Perry Mason  
3:00-WEAF—A Woman of America  
WOR—Martha Deane Program  
WJZ—Morton Downey, Songs  
WABC—Mary Marlin  
3:15-WEAF—Ma Perkins  
WJZ—Appointment With Life  
WABC—Tena and Tim  
WMCA—Adrian Rollini Trio  
3:30-WEAF—Pepper Young  
WOR—Rambling With Gambling  
WJZ—The High Places  
WNYC—Treasury Star Parade  
3:45-WEAF—Right to Happiness  
WJZ—Studio Music  
WABC—Bob Trout, News  
4:00-WEAF—Backstage Wife  
WOR—News; Jay Johnson, Songs  
WJZ—Correspondents Abroad  
WABC—Marines in the Making  
WMCA—News; Western Songs  
4:15-WEAF—Stella Dallas  
WJZ—Ozark Ramblers  
4:30-WEAF—Lorenzo Jones  
WOR—Food and Home Forum  
WJZ—Westbrook Van Voorhis, News  
WABC—Raymond Scott Show

## Radio Concerts

2:30-2:55 P.M., WQXR—Orchestra conducted by Jascha Zayde  
5-5:15 P.M., WQXR (also FM)—Whittemore and Lowe, duo pianists of the United States Navy.  
7-8 P.M., WNYC (also FM)—Masterwork Hour.  
8:05-9 P.M., WQXR (also FM)—Symphony Hall.  
9:15-9:30 P.M., WQXR (also FM)—Salon de Musique.  
9:30-10 P.M., WOR—Song Treasury, with Licia Albanese, soprano; Fran-

cisco Valentino, baritone; Antonini Orchestra.  
10:30-11 P.M., WOR—Mishel Piastro, violinist, with The Symphonette.  
11:30-12 P.M., WEAF—Music in American Cities, with Max Geberman conducting; soloists are Edna Phillips, soprano; Wilson Lang, tenor, and Sylvia Marlowe, harpsichordist.  
11:30-11:55 P.M., WJZ—Norman Coridon, baritone; Elaine Malbin, 14-year-old soprano, guest, and orchestra.

### 9 P.M. TO MIDNIGHT

9:00-WEAF—Music Hall  
WOR—Gabriel Heatter, News  
WABC—Major Bowes' Amateurs  
WNN—William S. Gailmor  
9:15-WOR—Screen Test  
WMCA—Talk—Richard Eaton  
9:30-WEAF—Jean Davis, Jack Haley  
WOR—Treasure Hour of Song  
WJZ—Spotlight Band  
WABC—Corliss Archer—Sketch  
WMCA—Musical Spotlight  
10:00-WEAF—Abbott and Costello  
WOR—Henry Gladstone, News  
WJZ—Raymond Gram Swing  
WABC—The First Line  
WMCA—News; Psychology Class; Adventures Into the Mind  
10:15-WOR—Talk—Dale Carnegie  
WJZ—Andy Russell Show  
10:30-WEAF—Rudy Vallee Show  
WOR—Symphonic Music  
WJZ—March of Time  
WABC—Variety Musicale  
WMCA—Frank Kingdom, News  
10:45-WMCA—Musical Encores  
11:00-WEAF—News; Music  
WJZ, WABC—News; Music  
11:30-WEAF—Music of the New World  
12:00-WEAF, WJZ—News; Music  
WOR, WABC—News; Music

### 6 P.M. TO 9 P.M.

6:00-WEAF—News Reports  
WOR—Sydney Moseley, News  
WJZ—John B. Kennedy, News  
WABC—Warren Sweeney, News  
WMCA—News; Music; Talk  
6:15-WEAF—Concert Music  
WOR—News  
WJZ—Eibel and Albert  
WABC—Pan-American Music  
6:30-WOR—Frank Singiser, News  
WJZ—Whose War?—Sports Talk  
WABC—Jeri Sullivan, Songs  
6:40-WEAF—Sports—Bill Stern  
6:45-WEAF—Lowell Thomas  
WOR—Sports—Stan Lomax  
WJZ—Henry J. Taylor, News  
WABC—The World Today—News  
WMCA—String Music  
6:55-WABC—Joseph C. Harsch, News  
7:00-WEAF—Johnny Mercer Show  
WJZ—Fred Waring Show  
WABC—I Love a Mystery  
WQXR—Lisa Sergio, News  
7:15-WEAF—John W. Vandercok, News  
WOR—Victory Is Our Business  
WMCA—Five-Star Final  
WABC—Variety Musicale  
7:30-WEAF—Bob Burns, Comedy  
WOR—Arthur Hale, News  
WJZ—Play—Charlie Chan  
WABC—Mr. Keen  
WMCA—Johannes Steel, News  
7:45-WOR—The Answer Man  
WMCA—Sid Gary, Songs  
8:00-WEAF—Frank Morgan Show  
WOR—Frank Singiser, News  
WJZ—News Comments  
WABC—Suspense—Play  
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WJZ—Lum and Abner  
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# Selected Reading on the Life And Work of American Jews

By ABRAHAM CHAPMAN

Jewish Book Month, sponsored by the Jewish Book Council of America, has taken root in the cultural life of the American Jew. This annual observance is much more than a publisher's book-promoting project. It is a cultural-educational venture which meets the needs and interests of all sections of American Jews. In addition to exhibits and book fairs which are held throughout the country, Jewish Book Month stimulates an interest in books in all languages on Jewish subjects, and helps to answer the questions of increasing numbers of American Jews who are seeking reading matter on the current problems and the history of their Jewish people.

This year, Jewish Book Month is being observed from Nov. 10 to Dec. 10.

Requests for books on Jewish history are among the most numerous I receive. Jews whose consciousness and interest in Jewish affairs is relatively new, as well as Jews who have done considerable reading on Jewish affairs, are anxious to get a good historical picture of the origins, the background and the historical development of the Jewish people. Unfortunately, there is no single popular volume which answers these questions satisfactorily.

## TWO CLASSICS

The two classics of Jewish history are *History of the Jews* by Heinrich Graetz and *Outline of Jewish History* by Semon Dubnow. Graetz was a nineteenth-century German Jewish historian who devoted his life to the study of Jewish history. He wrote out of a passionate interest in the history of the Jews and his works are a must for any real student of Jewish history. His is a detailed, factual history written in the grand style, but lacking a materialistic foundation.

Dubnow was a Russian-Jewish historian, more nationalistic than Graetz and more rooted in the life and the historical experiences of the compact Jewish masters who lived in the czarist empire. Dubnow's history gives us a deeper and more intimate picture of the great masses of Jews who lived in Central and Eastern Europe, who constituted the ancestors of the greatest proportion of the Jews in America and of the Jews in the Soviet Union.

A Marxist finds much wanting in both Graetz and Dubnow, but at the same time, Graetz's and Dubnow's histories are of tremendous value and provide the factual material for the understanding of the

history of the Jews. They are indispensable.

## AMERICAN HISTORIAN

An American Jewish historian, Salo W. Baron, has given us a more modern, fundamental Jewish history (*A Social and Religious History of the Jews*, published by Columbia University Press) is still in the idealistic tradition. His judgments on current Jewish problems, on the nature of fascism, and on the Jews in the Soviet Union, reveal a lack of political understanding which is very, very sad. But these serious weaknesses do not negate the value of the tremendous amount of historical scholarship which is packed into this history.

In justice to Prof. Baron it should be said that his current writings display a better understanding of the Jews in the Soviet Union and the nature of fascism. This should be borne in mind by those who read his history at the present time. The value of Baron's history is the great amount of material on the economic background of the Jews in different historical periods, and the great amount of new research incorporated in his studies.

A short single-volume history of the Jews by Abraham Leon Sachar is about the best popular history of the Jews. Needless to say it doesn't have the rich material of the larger histories and it is also not a realistic history.

## RICHEST SOURCE

The richest source for the thrilling story of the American Jew are the publications of the American Jewish Historical Society. Painsstakingly and consistently, year by year, the society publishes a volume of proceedings, documents and studies dealing with the history of the American Jew. In any one of these volumes you can find real gems of American history and anybody who has the time will be well compensated for any attention given to the 34 books issued by the American Jewish Historical Society. Thumbing through the pages of these publications is both a source of enjoyment and pride, not to speak of historical knowledge.

Slowly a more popular literature is growing, giving either a running narrative of the history of the American Jew or dramatizing its highlights.

One of the earliest popular books is Lee J. Levinger's *History of the American Jews*. This was written as a popular text for the students of high school age, but it makes interesting reading for adults as well. Lee M. Friedman's recently pub-

lished *Jewish Pioneers and Patriots* presents a number of vignettes of American Jewish life from Colonial times to the present. This is not a systematic chronological history but it is crammed with interesting material. It is the labor of love of a professional historian who is interested in publicizing the historical background of his people in America.

## TWO ALMANAC

The Jewish Peoples Fraternal Order, IWO, recently published an almanac, *Our People: the Jew in America*. This is a very valuable introductory portrait.

Hadassah, the women's Zionist organization in America, is to be congratulated for its initiative in making possible an important and interesting symposium volume entitled *The American Jew. A Composite Portrait*, edited by Oscar I. Janowsky. It was published by Harper in 1942. Although I cannot agree with all of the articles by the various writers, I would recommend the book as both informative and provocative. It will certainly help stimulate your thinking on the American Jew.

The economic and social structure of the American Jewish community is still under study. A great portion of the most recent research on this very important subject is contained in the volume *Jewish Population Studies*, edited by Sophia M. Robinson and published by the Conference on Jewish Relations in 1943. This volume is aimed more at the student than at the average reader but it has material of interest to all readers.

But to place all of your reading on the American Jew and on the problems and future of the Jews the world over in an understandable focus, I would recommend two pamphlets by Alex Bittelman. The first is *The Jewish People Will Live On*, which has just been published by the Morning Freiheit Association, and the second, *Jewish Unity for Victory*, published in December, 1943, by the Workers Library Publishers.

Here we find the penetrating views of a creative Marxist who illuminates our whole understanding both of the nature of the Jewish people and of our problems and tasks in the present historical epoch.

On my reading list Alex Bittelman's pamphlets come first.

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## USO Camp Show In Brazil

A plane hanger built by the Germans sheltered the premiere of the first legitimate play presented by USO-Camp Shows in Brazil, according to a letter received from Benny Baker, star of the overseas production of *Nothing But the Truth*. Baker goes on to add that "If Hitler knew the pleasure our boys got in something he had built, he'd be a lot unhappier than he is right now."

"The GIs down here really did the opening up brown," the letter continues. "It was just like a Hollywood premiere, with spotlights burning on all sides, and celebrities saying a few choice words into the mike. Except that our 'celebrities' were guys under the rank of corporal—only pfc's and privates were interviewed, and they were allowed in first. We even went through the 'cement imprinting' of hands and feet, just like they do at Grauman's Chinese Theatre."

"As for the play, why, it went over with a bang. *Nothing But the Truth* was the first legit show to play here, and it was the first play some of our GIs had even seen. The boys just couldn't do enough for us to show their appreciation. My biggest kick came after the show, when a tough sergeant who had been stationed here for two years came over to shake my hand, and very nonchalantly said: 'Nice show, kid! We all liked it.'"

## At the Reo in Brooklyn

The Soviet historical film "1812" is now playing at the Reo Theater, Stone Ave., near Pitkin, Brooklyn. Added attraction is the Soviet comedy *Vanka*.

## Tirpitz Sinking

The sinking of the German battleship Tirpitz by Allied bombers is shown in the new issue of RKO Pathe News. Other war recordings bring scenes from smuggled pictures presenting Denmark's underground workers hampering Nazi war production.

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**"ACCUSED"**  
and "That Uncertain Feeling"

**BROOKLYN**  
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the man whom Hitler remembered too late  
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**1812**  
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Empire Blvd.  
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Benny Goodman Lynn Bari Linda Darnell  
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## Movies

## The Inimitable Cantinflas

By DAVID PLATT

I saw Cantinflas, the great Mexican clown in his new film, *The Circus at the Belmont Theatre* a few days ago. It is easy to see why Cantinflas is the best loved actor in Spanish America, whose films are crowding out Hollywood. He has the true people's touch. Like Chaplin, he is the warm, human, humble man who takes all the risks and receives none of the rewards. The vagabond, who falls in love at first sight only to discover that the girl loves another.

Cantinflas, always the true psychologist, is honest and unsentimental with individuals. He has a magnificent way with animals. Almost everything he does springs from a deep, child-like simplicity that gives itself wholeheartedly to life. He has no bag of tricks. He is frequently hurt but never bitter. He walks where angels fear to tread. *The Circus*, one of his finest films, has no English subtitles but a great deal of the art of Cantinflas is understandable in any language.

Cantinflas is a simple shoemaker who loves the beautiful star of the circus. To win her affection he cleans out the lion's cage, substitutes for the indisposed tight-rope walk-

**THE CIRCUS**—Directed by M. Delgado. Music by M. Esperon. Produced by Posa Films, S. A. From an original story by J. Salvador. Featuring Cantinflas. At the Belmont Theatre.

er, takes the place of one of the aerial artists. All with near catastrophic results. And distinguished art. And vast merriment. For Cantinflas is one of the few remaining comics of the western world who has learned the secret of making people laugh with all their hearts and souls.

Cantinflas is but at the beginning of his career. He has not yet attained full mastery of his art but he is developing beautifully with every film. I think this gifted Mexican has the makings of the greatest screen personality since Chaplin. He still has much to learn from the master. Perhaps in Hollywood, where he has gone to make a film for RKO entitled *The Magnificent Tramp*, Cantinflas, like Chaplin before him, will discover new things about himself and the world we live in that will increase his powers and enrich us all.



## Late Bulletins

### Senate Committee Unanimously Backs Stettinius Nomination

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29. — This morning the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, as varied a group as can be found in Congress, unanimously recommended confirmation of Edward A. Stettinius, Jr., as Secretary of State.

Armed with this mandate from his committee, Chairman Tom Connally of Texas asked the Senate for unanimous consent to take up the Stettinius nomination at once.

It was generally believed that there would be as much unanimity in the Senate itself as there had been in committee, that there would in fact be a demonstration of national unity which would strengthen the President's conduct of foreign affairs.

But Senator William Langer, a bitter-end foe of international collaboration and an avowed friend of the defendants in the sedition trial here, tried to block Senate action.

The North Dakota Republican ob-

jected to Connally's unanimous consent request on the ground that he "may" want to oppose the Stettinius nomination.

Langer offered no immediate explanation for his action, and refused to leave the floor to answer questions for newspapers.

But yesterday Langer inserted in the Congressional Record a PM editorial by Max Lerner sharply criticizing the President for naming Stettinius to succeed Secretary of State Cordell Hull.

Lerner declared that "the progressives had suffered a defeat" in the Stettinius appointment, that the Under-Secretary because of his big business background could not be expected to take a constructive attitude toward the new democracies arising in Europe, that the President has followed "the line of least resistance."

In absence of another statement, it must be assumed that Langer intended to let the PM editorial speak for him.

### Brussels Postal Workers End Strike

BRUSSELS, Nov. 29 (UP).—About 1,000 striking postoffice workers decided today to go back to work tomorrow, and there were signs that 1,000 streetcar employees who had been out for two days might follow suit.

A strong possibility of most of the strikers returning to work immediately was seen after their leaders had conferred with Allied authorities.

It had appeared earlier that the protest strikes against the government of Premier Hubert Pierlot were spreading, with the postal and telephone systems affected along with iron foundries and factories around Brussels.

### Sink 13 Enemy Ships en Route to Leyte

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, Leyte, Philippines, Thursday, Nov. 30 (UP).—United States fighter planes destroyed 13 Japanese ships carrying troops to Leyte in a two-day battle which ended yesterday, it was announced today.

An estimated 4,000 Japanese troops were killed or drowned, running to more than 21,000 the number of enemy troops wiped out in recent attempts to reinforce Leyte.

### De Gaulle Arrives in Baku

LONDON, Nov. 29 (UP).—Radio Paris announced today that Gen. Charles de Gaulle arrived in Baku, on the Caspian Sea, on Monday and will go to Moscow by train, arriving at the capital Dec. 2. He will stop for a visit at Stalingrad.

### Pierlot Linked to Quisling Bankers Who Worked for Nazis

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agriculture, whose activities were frequently denounced on the London radio, was arrested and then released without trial.

TWO OF 60,000

Some 60,000 collaborators were arrested, it is true, but only two—a chauffeur and a journalist—have been executed. Big shots are going scot free, among the 10,000 already released.

Here is a typical example:

M. de Ville, director of the ACEC, the Ateliers de Constructions Electriques de Charleroi, one of Belgium's biggest trusts, was arrested by the Resistance while preparing to leave the country equipped with false papers and passports. The government then released him.

It seems that the ACEC completed the trustification of the electrical industry by obtaining control over many companies immediately after the German invasion, using rather dubious methods.

Then the ACEC came to an un-

derstanding with the German electrical trust, Siemens, to rationalize their works and concentrate on civilian production while leaving Siemens free to develop maximum war production.

SPEED-UP USED

The speed-up introduced aroused the sharpest discontent among the workers. When a Communist shop steward, Neuray, was brought to a German court in 1941 and charged with leading the workers' protest, the Belgian directors of the ACEC exerted themselves to find witnesses against him.

They drew up a list of patriotic workers and turned it over to the Gestapo, whose agents were invited to supervise the works.

This is only one example of what went on during the occupation. Instead of arresting and prosecuting such directors, Pierlot finds himself unable to judge them, lets them go scot free, and turns his wrath and "special powers" against the people.

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Yanks in a smoke-filled street of Hoven, Germany, fight their way forward. U.S. gunners fire a mortar against a counterattack on the left. On the right an officer seems to be giving orders.

### The Veteran Commander

SLOW GAINS CONTINUE IN WEST

GEN. PATTON is pressing on toward the Saar, and is approaching the towns of Saarlautern, Sarreguemines, Sarre Union and Saarwerden, whose names in themselves depict the shape of the front.

To the south, Gen. Devers' Army Group, while widening the Saverne corridor which leads to Strasbourg, has failed yet even to come near to closing the Vosges trap. In Strasbourg the Germans still hold a bridgehead at the western end of the great Kehl bridge.

Thus the Third and Seventh U. S. Armies have nowhere yet tackled the Siegfried Line, which here lies east of the Saar and east of the Rhine. They have gone through the inverted Maginot Line which is reported to have been rather useless to the enemy, who preferred to use field fortifications in preference to forts which faced the wrong way.

In the Cologne direction the American center is slowly pushing forward to the Roer River, but has not reached it yet.

Gen. Eisenhower has visited Field Marshal Montgomery in the Dutch sector of the front. This might be an indication that interesting things will happen there before long, especially in view of the slugging match which has developed in the forefield of the great Rhine bridgehead.

SOVIET troops are pushing forward in Slovakia and northern Hungary, closing in on the junction of Koshitz. A heavy snowfall is reported in this region. This is not so good because heavy snow AHEAD of hard frost means that the marshes did not have a chance to freeze over.

THE Japanese have reacted to the Philippine campaign and the B-29 raids against Japan with air attacks against Saipan and our ships in Leyte Gulf. Thirteen enemy ships were downed over Saipan after the enemy had done unspecified damage. Fifteen Japanese aircraft were downed over Leyte.

Rains continue to hamper operations on Leyte, but our destroyers pushed daringly into the dangerous waters of Camotes Sea (west of Leyte) and bombarded the enemy-held port of Ormoc. This operation entailed slipping through the narrows between Leyte and the islands which dot the

Camotes Sea between Leyte and Cebu, and is quite a feat.

In China the Japanese are reported by the Chinese to have been stopped in the mountains bordering the Province of Kweichow, but this report must be taken with a grain of salt.

#### TACTICAL OBSERVATIONS:

N. Y. Times correspondent Harold Denny cables from the U. S. First Army front (Cologne Plain): "This country is a network of almost continuous towns and villages. Between them are the most elaborate trench systems this war has produced. They are in continuous lines, as in the last war. The Germans hold them with small arms, including machine guns. When our artillery turns a barrage on these trenches the Germans flee to adjoining villages and take shelter in cellars. As soon as the barrage lifts they rush back to the trenches to try to stop our infantry. Each time we attack a trench it is a race between our infantry and theirs."

In other words, the Germans have enough time to run back "from the village" between the lifting of our barrage and the infantry attack. We hope Mr. Denny is wrong because he describes a serious tactical defect. The experience of three years of land war has taught the Red Army so to coordinate the actions of artillery and infantry that the Germans not only have not the time to "run back from the village cellars," but they have not the time to jump out of their front line dugouts to man their trenches and pillboxes. This is so because the Soviet infantry follows the barrage. As German prisoners put it: "Your infantry burst into our trench together with your shells."

Of course, when infantry assault waves follow right on the heels of their own barrage, casualties from their own fire are inevitable, even if the artillery fires with superb precision. But it has been ascertained from experience that such casualties are much less than when enough time is given (between the lifting of the barrage and the actual impact of the infantry) to the enemy to "come out from under" and man his weapons. There is little doubt that this purely Soviet tactical development has been studied by the Allied command and that Mr. Denny was not aware of what was going on.

PINKY RANKIN

